



# KY~SPIN Helps You Help Your Child

**SPIN** (Special Parent Involvement Network) is a statewide project of KY-SPIN, Inc. SPIN-PTI (Parent Training & Information Project) is funded by the U.S. Dept. of Education. SPIN provides training, information and support to people with disabilities, their parents and families, and information on all types of disabilities and topics for all age groups.

The **mission** of SPIN-PTI (Special Parent Involvement Network – Parent Training and Information) is to empower and support individuals with disabilities and their families to effectively advocate for and access needed information, resources and support networks in order to enhance the quality of their lives throughout Kentucky. We serve individuals with disabilities, their parents/family members and professionals with all types of disabilities and all age groups.

Through a **“Families Training Families”** model, consultants conduct community workshops on the issues of laws, rights, listening and communication skills, to promote better understanding of disability issues.

SPIN **provides** families with the knowledge, skills, information and support they need to obtain improved services for their children. Informed Family-Professional education leads to improved Family-Professional partnerships.

**Workshops and booths** for parents and professionals are on-going throughout the 11 SPIN regions in Kentucky. There is no fee for SPIN services. Resource materials and referral services are also available. Through our 800 number we assist families through one on one consultation stepping through the process of accessing services for their child.

## **A sample of the workshops offered are:**

- ◆ It's a Great IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act 2004)
- ◆ IEP (Individualized Education Program): *a step through the whole process from initial evaluation to writing the IEP*
- ◆ Stress Management
- ◆ Collaborative Communication: Building Partnerships
- ◆ Positive Behavior Supports (PBS)
- ◆ Advocating for Your Child: *Tips to advocate effectively for your child in any situation*
- ◆ Siblings
- ◆ Bullying
- ◆ Grief Process
- ◆ Starting and Maintaining Parent Support Groups
- ◆ Getting and Keeping the First Job
- ◆ The Journey to Adulthood: What Parents Need to Know (Sexuality)
- ◆ Transition to Adulthood
- ◆ The Power of Telling Your Own Story
- ◆ and other customized workshops

SPIN **publishes** a monthly newsletter, the *SPINNING WHEEL*. If you would like additional information or would like to be added to our listserv, contact us at:

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