

What is family Education and Training?

As defined by the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD), Family Education and Training (FET) may be provided to families of consumers enrolled in the Home and Community Based Waiver (HCB Waiver) who are under 18 years of age. The purpose of FET is

to enhance the decision making capacity of the family unit, provide orientation regarding the nature and impact of developmental disabilities upon the consumer and his or her family, and inform them about service alternatives. FET is distinct from Service Coordination in that the purpose is to support the family unit in understanding and coping with the developmental disability.

For families enrolled in the HCB Waiver who have FET listed as a service, the trainings are totally funded through OMRDD, up to 2 sessions per year. Each family is expected to attend at least one session per year in order to remain in the program.

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