

State Work: Real World Applications - Delaware MAPS (Meaningful Access, Participation & Supports)

A new Delaware tool highlights ways family members can support quality inclusive practices.



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Early Childhood Inclusion: The Joint Position Statement of the Division for Early Childhood (DEC) and the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) identifies the defining features of inclusion: access, participation, and [systemic] supports. Now Samtra Devard, a parent/professional from Delaware, has created a tool that makes the position statement come alive through real world applications. *Delaware MAPS: Meaningful Access, Participation, & Supports - A Guide to High Quality Inclusion of Children with Disabilities for Families and their Communities* takes the position statement one step further by identifying features to look for and highlighting things family members can do to support quality inclusive practices. The guide includes the definition and defining features of inclusion, an inclusion quiz, answers to frequently asked questions, and forms to help with planning.

For additional information about this resource, please contact Samtra Devard (samtradevard@hopecenterofde.com).

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