

American Society for Deaf Children Key Parent

The American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) supports the efforts of parents to become knowledgeable in issues relating to deafness, to advocate for the rights of their children and to make informed decisions. In keeping with this position, the concept of Key Parent was developed; a program designed to put parents in touch with parents. Through this program, parents experienced in raising a deaf or hard of hearing child can serve as a resource and support for other parents.

Key Parent Training includes the following:

- Key Parent Overview
- Advocacy Skills
- Grief – Adaptation
- Addressing Parental Concerns
 - Educational Placement
 - Communication
 - Technology
- Listening Skills
- IDEA/NCLB
- Resources – Local and National
- Confidentiality and Reporting
- ASDC's Role in Key Parents Nationwide

For more information about ASDC's Key Parent Train the Trainer Program, please contact Cheri Dowling at 1-800-942-2732 or asdc@deafchildren.org