

## Focus Group Work Plan for

**2018** Families and Technology

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1. Do you wish to have a time allocated for your focus group during at the next NCFR Annual Conference?

Yes    No

2. If Yes, please list or attach tentative agenda.

Continue to meet as a special interest group for shared conversation and momentum for research , teaching and advocacy related to technology use by families, and technology research. Ad hoc discussion tailored to members present. Identify potential areas for action or communication during the year.

3. Please list 2018 focus group goals/projects/aspirations.

Promote technology as a content area for family life education. Promote research on family technology use. Promote ethical standards applied to the use of the Internet and technology in family science research and practice. Encourage presentations related to technology through paper sessions, symposia, speakers, etc at the annual conference.

4. Please identify any opportunities, suggestions, or concerns regarding the role of this focus group in furthering NCFR's inclusion and diversity initiatives.

Access to technology is a social justic issue. Promoting the topic as access to the Internet, comfort with using technology, integration of technology in schools, are areas that NCFR can get behind to ensure that use by all - including its members - is inclusive.

5. Please list any areas where you would like assistance from NCFR staff.

6. Are there any other concerns or questions that have come from the 2017 focus group annual meeting?

None, other than the Focus Group will need a new chair for the 2018 year as this is Susan Walker's final year providing leadership. Invitations for the chair have gone out through the listserv, at the FG meeting and in individual response to email.

Attach your 2017 annual meeting minutes to this form and return by December 1, 2017.

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