

Focus Group Work Plan for 2024

Name of Focus Group: **Family Communication**

Chair/Co-chairs: **Tara McManus**

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1. Do you wish to have a time allocated for your focus group during at the next NCFR Annual Conference?
X Yes
2. If Yes, please list or attach tentative agenda.
Available as a google doc [here](#).
3. Please list 2024 focus group goals/projects/aspirations.
 - Develop several virtual events based on group membership interest (e.g., research blast or community engagement panels, happy hours and other networking opportunities, moderated scholarly discussions)
 - Develop an award proposal for the focus group
 - Continue to encourage members to update and expand their personal and professional information in NCFR to make it easier for members to identify and reach out to others with similar interests.(See [2023 meeting notes](#))

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

We would appreciate direction specifically on how we could play a role in furthering inclusion and diversity initiatives in a way that aligns with the Association.

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

Could NCFR staff please send our chair (Tara McManus, Tara.McManus@unlv.edu) information about our official focus group membership? Our Discussion Group suggests we have about 150 members, but only 12 people completed our survey.

6. Are there any other concerns or questions that have come from the 2023 focus group annual meeting?

NCFR occurs the week before or the same week as another association's annual convention that many of our group members are a part of. We'd love to find ways to make it easier for hybrid meetings in the future.