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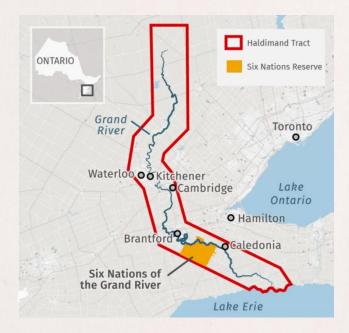




Where exceptional families thrive



#### Territorial Acknowledgement







## History of WRFN

- WRFN supports families of children with exceptional needs, with or without a diagnosis, in Waterloo Region by providing guidance, resources and facilitating meaningful connections with other parents/caregivers in all life stages.
- As a peer-developed and peer-driven network, WRFN is uniquely able to understand how to serve the needs of exceptional families, so they can thrive.





## Our Network Supports

- Residents of Waterloo Region
- No diagnosis needed
- No waitlist or formal intake process
- Referrals can be made by professionals or a self-referral directly from a family
- No fees charged to provide support
- Will hire interpreters if needed





#### "Communication works for those who work at it."

John Powell





- It starts at home
- What to communicate
- How to communicate
- Who to communicate with





- Keep it simple
- Respect
- Prepare
- Support



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**Communication Plan** 

- Why required
- Types of plans
- Points to remember





# Thank you.

#### We Welcome Your Questions...





# Join us on social!



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