Research on families of color is scarce, therefore more research is needed to understand the sociocultural context of children and determine whether services needed are similar across cultures/ethnicities.

Family support in diverse communities

Access to and utilization of services

Existing research shows there is an underutilization and a lack of access to services, especially for marginalized families. More research is needed to understand the barriers and facilitators that influence access such as families’ financial status and geographical location.

Family Caregivers

Most existing research is on mothers as caregivers. Therefore, more research is needed to understand the impact of having a child with disabilities on fathers, siblings, and grandparents and their experiences as caregivers.

Employment policies

More research is needed to examine policies that support working caregivers.

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