USU's FCHD Department is looking for participants in a survey about quality of life for people with disabilities and their families.

A research study to understand how family quality of life and relationships are influenced by the individual with disabilities is being conducted by the Department of Family, Consumer and Human Development at Utah State University. Primary caregivers of a family member(s) with disabilities are invited to participate in this survey.

According to Myles Maxey, an FCHD doctoral student, the department is seeking input from all families with individuals with disabilities, no matter the age. At the conclusion of the survey, the primary caregiver will be asked to indicate if they and another family member are willing to participate in interviews about their experiences of having a family member(s) with disabilities.

To be eligible for the interview portion, families must have at least one sibling of the individual with disabilities that is currently 18 years of age or older. If selected for interviews, family members will be interviewed separately. Participation in the interview portion of the study is not required to complete the survey. Participation in this study and all responses, both in the survey and the interview, will be kept confidential.

The time to complete the survey is approximately 30-45 minutes. Those willing and chosen to participate in interviews should anticipate the interview lasting approximately one hour. This research is supervised by Dr. Kathleen W. Piercy.

Participate in the survey.