# Assignment for “A Parent’s Story” webinar

# Picture of Myrna Medina, her husband, daughter, and son, Norman

# Every family has an important story. In this 60-minute presentation, Myrna Medina, Family Engagement Specialist at California Deafblind Services and mother to a son, Norman, with deaf-blindness, tells her family's story, including:

# Their experiences as they encountered situations common to all families of children with special needs

# Their interactions with service systems (early intervention, school, transition) at different stages of Norman's life

# Grief and other emotions they experienced and how they coped

# In this video you will learn:

# The importance of remembering that behind the day-to-day details of schools and services every family has a personal story

# Strategies for supporting families

# Please watch the [webinar (https://nationaldb.org/library/page/2694)](webinar%20%28https%3A/nationaldb.org/library/page/2694%29) and write a two-page paper on:

# Tips and strategies that Myrna suggests for providers

# Your insights about how the family’s support needs changed as Norman got older

# How the video changed your ideas about ways you might interact with families in the future.

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