

Learn About Me: A Tool for Success Among Children, Families and Medical Providers

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A large lightbulb graphic is centered on a light blue background. The lightbulb has a white top section, a dark blue middle section, a purple bottom section, and an orange base. Inside the lightbulb, there are four logos stacked vertically. The top logo is for 'CHOICES FOR CHILDREN' with a colorful abstract icon. The second logo is for 'Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine' with a circular seal. The third logo is for 'THE SCRANTON SCHOOL for Deaf & Hard-of-Hearing Children' with a blue shield icon. The bottom logo is for 'NE PA Pennsylvania' with a map of Pennsylvania and a colorful abstract icon. The lightbulb is surrounded by several yellow diagonal lines, and the base of the lightbulb is represented by three grey horizontal bars.

CHOICES FOR CHILDREN
Early Intervention Program



**Geisinger
Commonwealth**
School of Medicine



THE SCRANTON SCHOOL
for Deaf & Hard-of-Hearing Children



Choices For Children

- Early Intervention program serving children birth to three in Pennsylvania
- Started in 1975





Program Beginnings

Medical School Collaboration
Professional Learning Community





History of the Program

- Support for the Journey
- Partnerships
- Community Immersion and Collaboration





DEAF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- It is important for the medical community to be sensitive to the Deaf community
- Partnering with the Deaf community
- Giving student-doctors the opportunity to become well-rounded physicians





COUNSELOR'S PERSPECTIVE

- Physicians that connect with families emotionally are valuable
- This impacts the comfort level parents have for their child's medical care
- Developing Self Advocacy Skills





Patients want to be heard and understood by their doctors.

Medical Student's Perspective



WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Contact us with your
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