

Sample items from the Family Needs Questionnaire – Pediatric Rehabilitation (FNQ-PR)

Category	Sample items
Health Information	<p>#2. To receive information on my child's medical and rehabilitation needs (e.g., daily activities, medications, therapy, equipment, technology, etc.).</p> <p>#5. To know what to expect from rehabilitation, including who is on my child's team, expected length of treatment, goals of treatment, family participation, etc.</p> <p>#8. To have access to ongoing information about challenges my child may have with thinking (e.g., confusion, memory, insight, learning, reasoning, concentration, communication, etc.)</p>
Emotional Support	<p>#10. To meet and share feelings with other parents who have gone through a similar experience.</p> <p>#11. To have access to counseling (i.e., therapy, social work, etc.) to help my family cope and to understand the different feelings we may have.</p> <p>#14. To receive help and advice regarding how to help my child develop friendships, social skills, and coping with difference.</p>
Family/Practical Support	<p>#15. To receive help educating family and friends around challenges and responsibilities for my child.</p> <p>#16. To receive help determining how best to meet the needs of my other children and family members.</p> <p>#38. To get practical support in the rehabilitation process (e.g., transportation, managing finances, time management, completing applications, equipment, respite)</p>
Involvement with Care	<p>#18. To be involved in planning my child's transitions (e.g., from hospital, to school, to home, to community programs, to other rehab facilities, etc.).</p> <p>#22. To be able to review my child's medical record and ask questions about my child's diagnosis, physical issues, or thinking/learning challenges.</p> <p>#24 To receive help and guidance around what I may need at home to safely and comfortably care for my child (e.g., medical devices, modifications to my home, accessible housing, accessible vehicles, accessible schools, etc.).</p>

Professional Support	<p>#26. To receive assistance around how to collaborate with the school and/or advocate for support to assist with my child's academic needs and other school issues.</p> <p>#29. To be given strategies and tools to help me understand and meet the needs of my child's emotions/behaviours.</p> <p>#33. To be made aware of all the available programs at the hospital that my child is eligible for.</p>
Community Support	<p>#36. To be given information about how to access future support and services (e.g., transition to adulthood, employment, post-secondary, respite, recreation, etc.).</p> <p>#37. To discuss ways to share my child's strengths, skills, and challenges with my community team (e.g., school staff, health care providers, peers, spiritual leaders).</p> <p>#39. To be linked to resources for my family (e.g., financial aid and planning, legal counseling, respite care, peer support, counseling, daycare)</p>