

# *I am Your Child: A Child with Special Needs*

## *A World of Unknowns*

- *Identify 3 different ways parents can find out their child has a special need?*
- *Identify several emotions parents often experience when learning their child has a special need.*

## *Getting Answers*

- *Why are learning problems difficult to diagnose?*
- *Who is typically the first person to suspect a problem and what are some things to look for in the child?*
- *How can schools help with a child's diagnosis?*
- *Why is early intervention so important?*

## *Getting Help*

- *Even though it's difficult why should parents ask for help?*

- *Who is the child's best advocate?*
- *How and where can we find resources in our community to help?*
- *What is an IEP?*

### *Beyond the Label*

- *How can children be defined by a disability?*
- *What is the mission of a parent of a disabled child?*
- *True or False: You are your child's first and best teacher.*
- *Why do parents and teachers need to be patient with special needs children?*

### *Taking Care of Yourself*

- *Why do parents need to take care of themselves?*
- *Why should parents interact with other parents of other special needs children?*
- *Why do you need time for your spouse and your marital relationship?*
- *What should you do if you have other children who are not disabled?*