**Leadership Project-Elevator Speech**

**SAMPLE B-2**

**Name ________________________________**

You are making a formal speech to a person or group of people who you want to support your project. Use this worksheet to identify the important information to include in a 1-2 minute presentation (“elevator speech”) about your leadership project. This project may be changing over time. That is ok! Develop this presentation based on what you currently imagine your project.

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**What is the problem your project will try to solve?**

I want to make sure that families have good information about services and supports for their kids in our county. I also want to make sure that families get consistent information, regardless who their service coordinator is.

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**Share one family experience that illustrates this problem.**

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**What action are you going to take? (Describe the current version of your project)**

I am going to apply to serve on our County’s Advisory Board for children’s services. In our county, this advisory board is combined with one for adult long term services. I want to be a strong voice for children and the consistency of information and support to all families in our county.
How does your action impact the problem?

By joining this advisory group, I can be a voice for many families who feel that they are getting inconsistent information and supports from different service providers who work for the county. Hopefully, I can help put policies into place that strive to reduce this problem.

Write out your 1-minute elevator speech in paragraph form: 1/2 page (small handwriting or typed double-spaced)

Elevator Speech will be given to: Chair of County Advisory Group

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