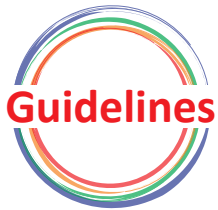






Me2® - 7 Principles of Inclusive Playground DesignSM Become a PlayCore NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION SITE

Join our national initiative to build a network of communities moving beyond accessibility to provide truly inclusive play spaces that promote participation, healthy activity, and social interaction.



-  **1. Engage the Community in Planning, Implementation, and Sustainability**
Ascertain the goal of your project and undergo a carefully considered step-by-step process to ensure your play space meets the desired outcome. This process may include master planning, partnerships, design workshops, and strategies for implementing product choices to promote usage by people of all ages and abilities.
-  **2. Implement Design Best Practices that Promote Inclusive Play throughout the Play Environment**
 - Create universally designed play environments that increase playability for people of diverse abilities by implementing the 7 Principles of Inclusive Playground Design to promote a unique and meaningful play environment that is usable by more people, to the greatest extent possible.
 - Utilize tools to help create a space that encourages growth across all developmental domains, including social/emotional, physical, sensory, cognitive, and communicative.
 - Consider usage of programming, such as the 2 Play Together program to help create awareness, foster friendships, break down barriers, and promote character development.
-  **3. Participate in Local Recognition and National Press Opportunities**
Submit photos after the installation is complete to validate implementation of best practices, and to provide visuals that can be shared through web reporting, press releases, and other public relations opportunities. Above qualification criteria will be self-reported by completing an application to describe alignment to best practices, and provide additional facts to be used in public relations.
-  **4. Participate in a Research Network**
Provide a primary point of contact for future data collection and/or research initiatives such as surveys, focus groups, and/or observations. Data will be utilized as an educational resource for other communities and to fuel ongoing research.

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Qualifying as a National Demonstration Site communicates to others that your project planning through implementation has followed best practice guidelines. Additional benefits can be tailored to support your individual project and to promote your leadership nationally for others to replicate.

Local Recognition

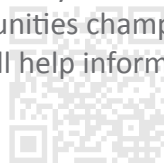
Receive a complimentary National Demonstration Site sign that can be installed onsite for visitors to learn more about the Me2 inclusion initiative, and promote your adherence to best practices. Once your project is registered and has qualified, you will receive the National Demonstration Site seal digitally for usage in outbound marketing, fundraising, website, letterhead, etc. This tool can be utilized to communicate and promote the quality and purpose of your project to stakeholders.

National Recognition

Through the National Demonstration Site program, your leadership will be shared through public relations opportunities. Receive national press through PlayCore's Center for Professional Development. To advocate for and build this network, PlayCore will provide a variety of educational resources and highlight case studies to be presented at internationally accredited professional development sessions, and in educational materials, web promotions, national press, collateral, and more. Sharing your story will help others advocate and replicate.

Inclusion Advocacy

Implementing best practices brings a variety of benefits to your local community. You can also stay engaged with a network of communities championing for inclusive play environments by participating in future research that will help inform and improve health across a variety of communities!



Interested in learning more about how your community can participate in a national movement for promoting inclusion? Contact us to learn more or to apply today!



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Apply to be a PlayCore National Demonstration Site
Host or Attend a Professional Development Seminar