



# Masjid Accessibility for Families with Special Needs

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# Community Level

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Consult with experts in the field and families to have inclusive programs

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Bring awareness in lectures to break stigma

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Professionals in the field should work with the Resident Alim to provide support for families in the community

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Make sure centers and masjids are wheelchair accessible, entrances are clean and tidy

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Have at least 1 if not more Qur'ān in Braille and sign language interpreters for lectures

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Islamic School classes should have a class or accommodations for children with special needs

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Dedicate a group of compassionate volunteers to provide assistance for anyone who needs it

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Partner up with organizations that are established and have the knowledge and resources

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If possible, provide quiet rooms for parents to take their children looking for relief from sensory overload

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# Personal Level

- 1 Be compassionate and listen without judgement, don't provide a solution, be an active listener: generate hope and reduce shame
- 2 Reach out to people who are distant and not the same, who may be quiet and sitting far away
- 3 Create a positive social support circle: Say salāmun 'alaykum to everyone, Ask how they are doing genuinely, *Never let anyone sit alone*

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Choose compassion, connection and empathy!

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If a parent is having difficulty handling disruptive behaviors from their child, don't ask them to leave, ask them how you can support them, provide a safe space

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Imām Ḥusayn ('a) is for everyone, please make sure your behavior is not a barrier for families to come to the majlis

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