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Gaining Community Acceptance

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This popular report aims to assist human service professionals in understanding, anticipating, and responding to community opposition to their service facilities. It includes a general framework for understanding the NIMBY (Not in My Back Yard) syndrome; a detailed examination of the factors determining community opposition; a summary of experiences of neighborhood outreach options available to human service providers; a blueprint for community outreach; and a guide to sources and further reading.

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