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PEER SUPPORT SERVICES
AND THE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF
PARENT PEER SPECIALISTS

Building Strong Families & Resilient Youth

CHIPRA Quality Demonstration Grant
Care Management Entities: A Model to Improve Child Behavioral Health Outcomes
A Multi-State Collaborative of Maryland, Georgia, and Wyoming
All States Meeting
Atlanta, Georgia
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Goal Area # 2: Transforming to a family-driven, youth guided system which promotes family voice and choice and involves family leaders in governing, financing, planning and evaluating.
Overcoming Barriers

Changing Hearts

Tilling the Soil through Training for Agencies

- Top down
- Bottom up
- Georgia Summit “Using the Lived Experience”
- Inclusion of “Family Allies” in curriculum development
CHIPRA FAMILY

- PARENTS
- YOUTH
- GEORGIA FSO: GEORGIA PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK (GPSN)
- DBHDD Divisions of MENTAL HEALTH and ADDICTIVE DISEASE
- DCH
- INTERAGENCY DIRECTORS TEAM (IDT)
- STAKEHOLDERS
- WORKFORCE
Georgia Parent Support Network (GPSN)

Supporting Parenting through Education

Business 101

- Ethics
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
- IRS Reporting
- Insurance
DBHDD INITIATIVES: CONNECTING THE WORK

**HTI**
- Serving Young Adults & their Families
- Growing Services to meet the needs of our Transition Age Youth/Families
- Making Sure Georgia Youth/Families receive services the whole life cycle

**CBAY**
- Access to CME Family & Youth
- High Fidelity Wrap Training

**SUICIDE PREVENTION**
- Funding Adult & Youth Mental Health First Aid Train the Trainer for Parents

**Addictive Disease**
- Integration of Training
- Inclusion of Clubhouse Parents /Youth & Staff
HEALTHY TRANSITION INITIATIVE (HTI)

- Project Goals
- Role of the Family Liaison
- Unique Population/Unique Family Engagement
- Cultural Competence – Young Adult vs. Parent/Grandparent
- Community Collaboration
Training & Certification of Peers

GOALS

• Develop a credentialed network of family and youth Certified Peer Specialists

• Create a foundation of effective, knowledgeable families/youth who are potential candidates for future certification.

• Create forum for families/youth to identify and articulate family needs to be addressed by Certified Parent/Youth Peer Specialist (CPS-PCPS-Y)

*These candidates must be the Parent or Guardian of a child with a Addictive Disease, Co-occurring or Serious Emotional Disorder.
Partnership Peer Based Support

“Using the Lived Experience”

• Shared Burden
• Shared Struggle
• Shared History
Building Capacity for Family Involvement

GOAL
Develop a Network of Credentialed Certified Parent Support Partners (CPS)

Federation of Families

Parent Mentors, Dept of Educations

Family Liaisons, Family Leaders

Family Navigators Parent Support Partners Legacy Parents

Clubhouse Families
Youth/Family Resilience & Transforming Mental Health Care

Tilling the Soil with the Workforce

Under Construction: Evolving Roles of Parent CPSs

Training and Certification of Parent Peers

Adult CPS Framework

Family Values and Leadership

CHIPRA Stakeholders

FFCMH

CME

Tilling the Soil with Workforce

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