

# 2016 System of Care Learning Institute: Youth and Families on the M.O.V.E.\* . . . All Voices Matter

\*Motivating Others through Voices Of Experience

## Call for Presentations

June 20 – 22, 2016  
State College, PA

**Deadline for Submissions: February 12, 2016**

Our 2016 theme **Youth and Families on the M.O.V.E.\* . . . All Voices Matter**

**\*Motivating Others through Voices Of Experience** builds upon the 2015 focus of the PA System of Care Partnership. Youth and family partners in Pennsylvania's Systems of Care continue to actively seek partnerships in all areas of their lives – career, social, academic, health and fitness – to achieve overall well being in their communities. Youth, family and system partners can establish a powerful momentum for change by working together to realize mutual goals and lasting outcomes for lives and practice. Opportunities for youth and family partners to lead and learn along side system partners are highly valued in our Systems of Care. Lastly, a significant benefit of cross-system collaboration is that all partners share personal responsibility with youth and families in recognizing that all voices matter for sustainable change.

We invite representatives from all child-serving systems, behavioral health organizations, family organizations, community organizations, youth and family groups, and service providers to submit a presentation proposal for this statewide learning event. Child-serving system partners include but not limited to: Child Welfare, Drug & Alcohol, Education, Juvenile Justice, Behavioral Health and Mental Health, CASSP, Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Submitted presentation proposals should demonstrate how aspects of the System of Care Standards are integral to the work and success of your system, agency or organization.

### System of Care Standards:

- Equal partnership on leadership teams
- Youth Driven
- Family Driven
- Integration of child-serving systems
- Valuing natural and community supports
- Assuring cultural and linguistic competence
- Youth and Family Services and Supports Planning Process
- Evaluation and continuous quality improvement

**Presentations may include, but are not limited to:** *Youth and Family Engagement, Integration of Services, Evaluation of Services, Trauma Informed Care, Drug and Alcohol issues, First Episode Psychosis (FEP), Improving inter-agency meetings, County Leadership Team highlights, Transition age Youth (on the Autism Spectrum ensuring appropriate supports and resources- including the overarching plan for the Commonwealth and/or independence and independent living skills), Early Childhood Mental Health, Adoption Issues (including disrupted adoptions), Creating and Maintaining an Agency Culture that Supports Youth and Family as Equal Workforce Members, Youth and Family Planning Model Approaches, Experiences with integration of categorical systems: challenges and successes, Engagement and Relationship building on teams, Nuances in working with youth and families on boards, Using data to make decisions, and Cultural Competency 101.*

### Audience:

County and state level youth, family, and system partners. **OPEN TO ALL.**

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### Partnering Organizations

**BHARP**  
System of Care  
Project  
www.bharp.org



**Youth & Family  
Training Institute**  
www.yftipa.org



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## Presenter benefits:

Conference registration fee waived. All presenters will receive access to all SOC Learning Institute activities including scheduled meals. System partner presenters' travel and hotel accommodations will be the responsibility of the presenters. Hotel reservations for one night will only be arranged and paid for directly by the PA SOC Partnership for up to two, either youth or family partner presenters.

To arrange for hotel accommodations, please contact the Penn Stater directly and request the room rate for the 2016 System of Care Learning Institute using Group Code: SYSF16A. Please note: room rate will be \$119.00, plus tax until May 20<sup>th</sup>. Reservations made after this date will be accepted at the higher standard rate and on an "if available" basis.

Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center  
215 Innovation Blvd.  
State College, PA 16803  
800-233-7505

## Who Should Submit?

Submission is open to anyone interested in sharing their knowledge and experiences.

### Proposal submission guidelines:

- ▶ Completed Presentation Proposal form
- ▶ List of the measurable learning objectives and how you will engage participants in the learning. Describe the engagement strategies to be used (ex. multi-media, small groups, round table, discussion, etc.)
- ▶ Brief biography (no more than 100 words) for **each presenter**

### Decision

You will be notified regarding acceptance of your proposal in mid-March 2016.

### Selection criteria:

- ▶ Relevance to SOC Standards and institute theme
- ▶ Workshops that include youth and/or family members as co-presenters
- ▶ Opportunities for participants to develop new skills and/or replicate successful outcomes
- ▶ Clear presentation outline and learning objectives
- ▶ Use of interactive presentation techniques to engage youth, family and system partners

### Submitting Your Proposal

Please use the attached form to submit proposals to [santiago@upmc.edu](mailto:santiago@upmc.edu). If additional pages are required, please attach them.

If you have additional questions, please contact Jill Santiago, PA System of Care Partnership, [santiago@upmc.edu](mailto:santiago@upmc.edu).