

DBH Central Office Monthly Update for BHBs
December 12, 2016

YES Parent Network

- Parent Network representatives are planning on organizing Parent groups in each region.
- They are considering attending the Children's Subcommittees of each of the Regional Behavioral Health Boards.
- They may contact each regional office eventually to establish a link with the Chiefs across the state.
- They are still trying to establish themselves as a cohesive group, so if you are contacted by one of these parents please keep in mind that they are working to carve out a place for parent participation in the new system of care and they can use your support—*when they are ready for it*.
- We are also still figuring out how to maximize their input and participation in the building of the system—not just as an outsider who reviews the new features after they are built.

Peer System

- Family Support Partner Trainings
 - Working with CWI to establish community trainings. Target is to have Family Support Partner (FSP) training available through CWI beginning January 2017.
 - DBH has initiated two Memorandums of Agreement to grant Strengthening Villages and the Idaho Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health permission to use the Department's curriculum to provide FSP trainings:
 - ❖ Each agency is scheduling their own trainings; DBH does not know when trainings will be conducted
 - ❖ Outreach to providers is being completed by agencies
 - ❖ MOAs end January 31, 2016
- Please send any questions regarding FSP or Peer Support Specialist (PSS) training to Stephanie Hoffman at: HoffmanS@dhw.idaho.gov

PATH Contract

- The new PATH contract with Jannus took began on November 18th, 2016. There is a new staffing structure under the new contract:
 - PATH Peer Specialists positions formerly on-site at State Hospitals have been moved out to regions to provide more Street Outreach and Case Management services.
 - New structure does include hospital liaison positions that serve both State Hospitals

Peer Support Connections Conference 2017

A statewide steering committee has been developed that will act as an advisory committee to three local conference committees within the three hubs of the state. Each local committee is responsible for organizing its own Peer Support Connections Conference: Northern, Southwestern, and Eastern. These conferences will be held in the fall of 2017. Currently, Hub Committee Leads are looking to build their conference organizing committees.

You can contact the following people to join the conference committee:

- **Northern Hub** - Alyia Rushing, 208-770-9746, alyia.rushing@sequyouthservices.com
- **Southwest Hub** - Heather Hieb, 208-703-8728, hhieb@asmh.org
- **Eastern Hub** - Rebecca Perrenoud, 208-478-9822, missbecca123@aol.com