Family Youth System Partner Round Tables

Overview

Family Youth System Partner Round Tables (FYSPRTs) embrace the idea that youth and families can and should have an active role in how systems serve them. FYSPRTs are a platform for families, youth, and system partners to come together to collaborate, listen, and incorporate the voice of the community into decision making at the regional and state level.

FYSPRTs are based on the System of Care core values:
- Family and youth driven
- Community based
- Culturally and linguistically appropriate

Washington has 10 regional FYSPRTs, one statewide FYSPRT, and multiple local FYSPRTs (where applicable).

FYSPRT meetings are a collaborative process. A family, youth, and system partner tri-lead work together in an equal partnership to create meeting agendas and share meeting facilitation. All FYSPRTs work to influence the functioning of local, regional, and state child and youth-serving systems and to promote proactive changes to improve access to, and the quality of, services for families and youth experiencing complex behavioral health needs.

FYSPRTs are a critical part of the Child, Youth and Family Behavioral Health Governance Structure which consists of inter-agency members at the community, state, and legislative levels who inform and provide oversight for policy making and program planning for behavioral health services. The goal is to ensure family, youth and system partner involvement in policy development and decision-making, including Wraparound with Intensive Services (WISe) quality and service delivery. FYSPRTs are an important mechanism to address barriers and needs and also to share experiences and knowledge to improve outcomes for youth and families in Washington.

Who can participate?
Statewide, regional, and local FYSPRT meetings are open to the public.

Annual budget
$750,000 for 10 Regional FYSPRTs

Key partners
Families, family leaders, youth, youth leaders, and child and youth-serving systems including child welfare, juvenile justice, developmental disabilities, education, health, mental health, substance use, and other community members including faith communities, law enforcement, early learning, tribal partners, and vocational rehabilitation.

Oversight
The Health Care Authority contracts with Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organizations to support and convene regional FYSPRT meetings and activities. Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery staff provide technical assistance to regional FYSPRT conveners and tri-leads.

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For more information and to get involved