

Peer Support for Child and Young Adult Programs

Contractor shall provide Peer Support Services delivered by a Family Peer Support Specialist (FPSS), which can be either a Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist and/or an uncertified Family Partner (FP). These shall be strength-based rehabilitative services provided to parents, caregivers, or family members to increase the client and their family's capacity to function within their home, school, employment, or community while promoting wellness and recovery. For the purposes of this service, a parent, caregiver, or family member is defined as the person(s) who live with or provide care to the beneficiary, and may include a parent, guardian, other relative, foster caregiver or whoever the beneficiary identifies as their family.

Contractor's FPSS shall provide culturally responsive services within the scope of their knowledge, lived experience, and education. Services provided are in conjunction with other clinical services to complement and enhance wellness and recovery of individuals and those in their family system by incorporating formal and informal supports and developing intervention strategies. FPSS shall work within Contractor's program(s) to assist families in accessing needed services, promoting independence, building advocacy skills, and reducing stigma.

Contractor's total units of service specified in Section IV.A. Process Objectives shall include 513 hours of outpatient services per 1.00 FTE FPSS, and each FPSS shall serve 20 to 30 unduplicated clients **on an annual basis**.

Contractor's FPSS shall report to Contractor's Clinical Supervisor and maintain a strong working relationship with the ACBHD Office of Family Empowerment (OFE) to receive needed technical assistance and support.

Contractor's Clinical Supervisor shall:

- i. Participate in **FPSS Monthly Supervisor Meetings** as provided and requested by ACBHD **OFE**;
- ii. Share information regarding FPSS's horizontally and vertically within the Contractor's agency;
- iii. Advocate for family-driven care at all agency levels;
- iv. Provide support to FPSS;
- v. Provide a minimum of one to two hours of weekly supervision to each FPSS; and
- vi. **Necessitate** and support FPSS to participate in monthly Family Peer Support Learning Community Cohort Meetings offered by ACBHD OFE.

Contractor shall submit an annual report on an ACBHD-provided template. Reports shall be labeled in accordance with the established naming convention and shall be uploaded to the ACBHD ShareFile within 30 days from the end of the fiscal year.