

## **Youth and Family Leadership Opportunities**

## Coordinated System of Care (CSoC) Governance Board

- Duties include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - o Establishing cross-collaborative policy and monitoring adherence;
  - Advocating and enhancing the public standing for the CSoC;
  - o Recommending guidance to enhance the CSoC; and
  - o Monitoring the quality, program growth, and adherence to standards.
- <u>Members</u>: Family member, youth member, advocate representative, and representatives from child-serving agencies (DCFS, LDH, LDOE, OJJ)
- <u>Meeting frequency</u>: Quarterly, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, typically on the fourth Wednesday in February, May, and August, and the first Wednesday in December.
- Youth/family contributions:
  - Experience as a youth (or parent or guardian of a youth) with a behavioral health challenge who
    has had involvement with child-serving agencies;
  - o Openness to using your experience to improve the system for other youth and families;
  - o Ability to engage in conversation/discussion with other members or guests;
  - o Interest in learning more about how CSoC works; and
  - o Interest in improving behavioral health outcomes for youth and families.
- Youth/family benefits of participating:
  - Supportive group of governance board members who are very excited about having youth members be active participants;
  - Governance-level understanding of CSoC;
  - Learning and practicing Parliamentary Procedure;
  - o Public speaking;
  - Problem solving with diverse board members;
  - Opportunities to attend CSoC-related events; and
  - Travel expense reimbursement.

To express interest in, or for information about any of these opportunities, please contact Dr. Dana Foster at Dana.Foster@la.gov. For current information on CSoC, please visit www.csoc.la.gov.