Intersectionality of Peer Support in Child Welfare

Presented by

Parents Supporting Parents of WI

Jefferson, Rock, Eau Claire County WellPoint, Milwaukee



Where we came from....

- PSP is grounded in research and is an evidence-based program that came from lowa's parent partner model
- WI Child and Family Services Review Plan (CRSR) is every 5 years and has 5 goals
- PSP came from goal 3: Improve the quality and availability of permanency services by engaging children and families in more meaningful ways.
- Collaborative approach that helps families become engaged in services and support and guide them through the court processes which significantly increases the rate of children being able to remain safely in the home.

Who can become a Parent Partner?

Requirements:

- Had a child placed in out-of-home care
- Have no current CPS involvement for safety issues
- Have no substantiated child abuse or neglect reports for 6 months before assuming the role of Parent Partner
- Show commitment in partnering with CPS professionals and community partners

Disqualifications:

- Has had a substantiated sexual abuse allegation
- Is listed on the WI Dept of Corr Sex Offenders Registry
- Was convicted in the death of a child



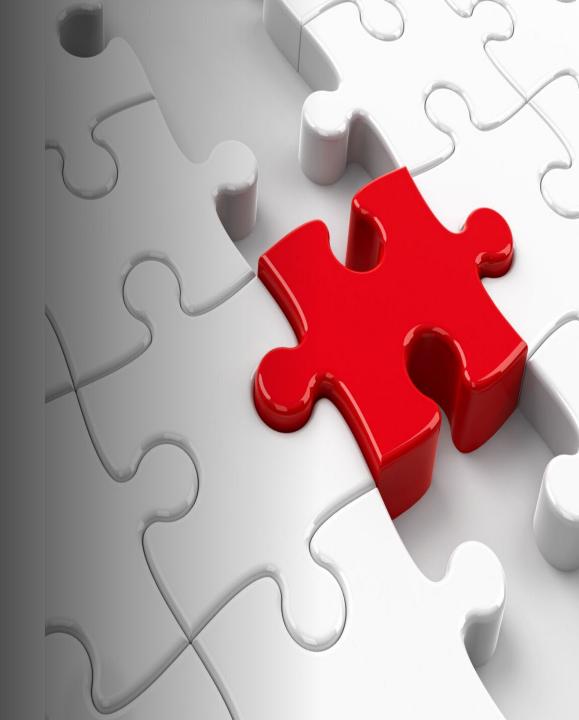
How is this the same as Peer Support

- Meet the parent where they are at
- Share the lived experience
- Don't disclose personal information
- Setting goals with the parents



How is this different than Peer Support

- Peers are referred to as Parents
- Team Collaboration
- Assigned Tasks by Team
- Discussions with Team Members
- Share our story sooner



Recovery isn't all we do

- Parenting
- Relationships
- Advocacy
- Lifestyle Changes
- Self Care
- Translate CPS terminology
- Share the lived experience point of view
- Create and present at conferences



Large Group Activity

Case Scenario

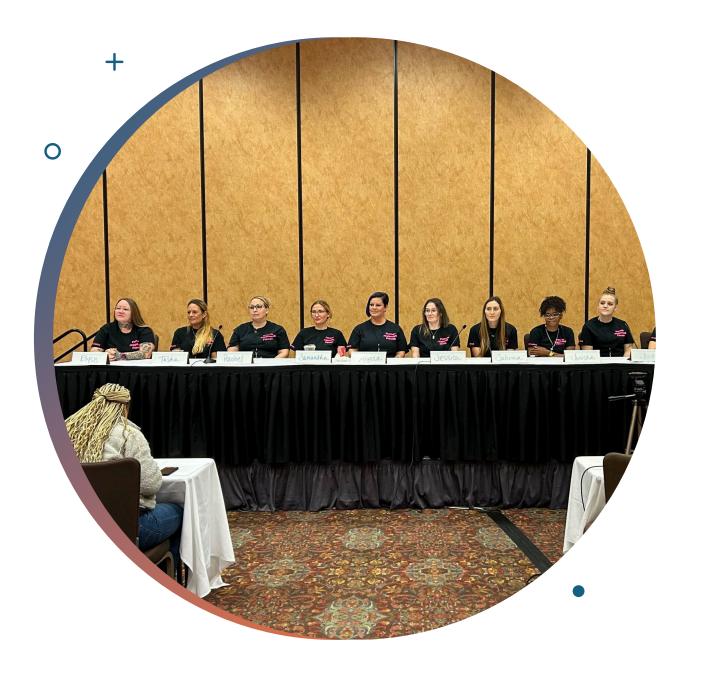
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Present return conditions – Mental Health, AODA, Parenting 3

Ask participants to say what county they are from and a SPECIFIC agency that a parent can get these services

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Handout will have a writing section where participants can write down places they hear of while doing the activity and they can take with them



Parent Partner Input

- Rock County
- Jefferson County
- Eau Claire County
- WellPoint(Milwaukee County)









Rock County Resources

Jefferson County Resources

Watertown Family Connections:

-920.261.2450

-100 S. Water Street Watertown, WI 53094



Mary's Room: Saint Paul's Episcopal Church:

- 413 S 2nd St Watertown WI 53094
- 920-261-1150
- saint413paul@gmail.com
- Emergency Contact Ellen at 920-248-1930

Safe Communities:

- **-**608-228-1278
- -www.safercommunity.net



Certainly! Helping Hands for Our Children in the Chippewa Valley is a non-profit program that works diligently to meet the needs of our community's children. Here are some details about this organization:

- Location: You can find Helping Hands for Our Children at 930 Galloway #25 Banbury Building 13, Eau Claire, WI
 They are open on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 am to 1 pm. Walk-ins are welcome.
- 2. **Services Provided**: They offer assistance with various essentials for children, including:
 - Clothing
 - Bedding
 - Formula
 - Diapers
 - Shoes
 - Toys
 - Books
 - Puzzles
 - Games
 - Baby equipment

Apple Pregnancy Care Center

applepcc.org

2600 Stein Blvd, Eau Claire, WI 54701 · ~2.6 mi

(715) 834-7734



Eau Clare County Resources

Resource for Fathers Milwaukee Fatherhood Initiative

4828 w Fond du lac Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53216 MISSION:

The Milwaukee Fatherhood
Coalition is a collaborative
partnership dedicated to
promoting the positive
involvement of both parents in
the lives of their children.



Mental health



AODA resource Meta House 2625 N Weil St. Milwaukee, WI 53212 414-9621200 **OUR MISSION** Meta House ends the generational cycle of addiction by healing women and strengthening families.

RECLAIMING WOMEN'S LIVES

WellPoint (Milwaukee County) Resources

Questions for Parent Partners



Topics of Training

- Strong Teams
- Health and Wellness
- Communication
- Your Journey
- Supporting Others
- Court Process
- Parent Partner Role
- System Change



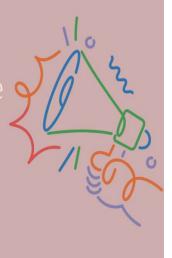
Parents Supporting Parents



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Building A Better Future Peer Support Training

Now open to County
Employed Peer Support Staff
who support Peers that have
involvement in the Child
Welfare System!





Learn how to best support peer success and implement system change through effective advocacy from Parent Partners who have extensive lived experience, both personally and in supporting those impacted by the Child Welfare system.

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