

# YOUTH POWER!

## of Families Together in New York State

**Job Title:** Youth Engagement Consultant

**Status:** Full-time, hourly (35 hours per week), \$14 per hour, full benefits package

**Location:** Albany, New York

**PURPOSE:** The Youth Engagement Consultant will coordinate activities for two YP! initiatives, NYS Success and Youth Employment.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Personal life experience in child serving systems (juvenile justice, behavioral/mental health, child welfare, and drug & alcohol, etc.).
- Bachelor's Degree preferred. High school diploma or equivalent is required.

### KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS/EXPERIENCE:

- Excellent coordination and organization skills
- Demonstrated understanding of system of care values
- Paid or volunteer experience as a youth advocate preferred
- Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to engage with diverse groups
- Familiarity with the children's mental health system

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

#### New York State Success:

- Ensures youth participation in all aspects of Upstate NY SOC Expansion including the advisory board, subcommittees and other work teams
- Works with evaluators and other staff to ensure the youth perspective is effectively reflected in evaluation and quality assurance/improvement activities
- Works with the Technical Assistant Coordinator to assure that training needs of youth are met so that they may be meaningful participants in the process
- Provides systems advocacy by working with partners to fully integrate youth guided practices and partnerships
- Works with the Social Marketer to identify marketing strategies to effectively reach youth and identify best practices for engaging/involving youth at the community level
- Supports the Learning Collaborative by providing training and consultation on youth engagement at the system and practice level and youth guided care
- Serves as a member of the Innovation Funding Pool review committee to award and oversee application from communities participating in the Learning Collaborative

#### Youth Employment Initiative:

- Coordinate Skill Building Workshops: develop a skill building workshop for youth, young adults and youth professionals to introduce resources that support career exploration, self-advocacy and post-secondary education planning.
- Youth Webinars: Develop webinars for youth to address critical education/workforce topics. Develop materials as well as identify nationally recognized guest presenters if needed.
- Adult Webinars: Coordinate webinars for adult allies, youth service professionals and community partners and cover such topics as youth engagement, youth cultural competence and mentoring of Youth Peer Advocates.
- Youth Self-Advocacy Trainings: Coordinate Three hour training sessions provided to youth professionals and Youth Peer Advocates utilizing a career focused Youth Self Advocacy Training compiled of national resource material.

### Applicants must send a resume and cover letter to the following:

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**Email to:** [info@youthpowerny.org](mailto:info@youthpowerny.org) Use the Subject "YOUTH ENGAGEMENT CONSULTANT"