# **Exploring Peer Support in Ambulatory Care**

- Lessons from the Field







### **BEFORE WE BEGIN**



- Click the Handouts pane to download slides and additional resource materials.
- Submit your questions anytime by typing in the box. We'll do Q&A at the end of each session.
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### **ABOUT PCPCC**



### Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC)

#### Mission:

To promote collaborative approaches to primary care improvement

- Patient-Centered Care
- Person Family Engagement
- Patient Activation
- Improved Cost/Quality/Experience Outcomes

#### **PCPCC Support and Alignment Network (PCPCC SAN)**

is a collaborative approach to improving person and family, clinician, and community strategies for engagement











Shared Principles of Primary Care







PCPCC facilitates development of webinars/learning sessions, a resource library, and tools that are being spread to a wider audience through our members and supporters.



**Online Initiatives Map** 



Bize-Sized Learning Modules
PFCC.Connect by IPFCC



Choosing Wisely (CW)



Patient Family Engagement (PFE) Resource Library



Y USA Community-based Resource



Parent to Parent (P2P)
Raising Special Kids Program

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### TODAY'S MODERATOR



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### **OBJECTIVE**

Provide practical information about peer support and its impact on the health care team through personal and professional stories



### HOW WE'LL SPEND OUR TIME



- Peer Support Setting the Stage
- Panel Presentation: Tips from the Field
- Resources



### WHAT IS PEER SUPPORT?

"To know the road ahead, ask those on the way back"

Chinese proverb

Delivered by those with common life experience, peer support recognizes the unique capacity to help each other based on shared affiliation and deep understanding of experience.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

"...it's a connection with someone else who's been there and who might be able to help provide some guidance on what works well for them, who's just a listening ear and, you know, a kind heart who's willing to step up and be there for you if needed." Peer mentor, Dee's Place



# Scope and Breadth of Peer Support

### **Format**

- Small groups
- One-on-One
- ▶ In person
- > Phone
- Virtual
- Offered across the United States and spreading internationally

### Settings

- Community based organizations
- National organizations
- ▶ Healthcare





Peer Support
Enhances
Your
Person and
Family
Engagement

- Increase patient/family activation by building connections with others who demonstrate confidence, skills and knowledge in managing their chronic conditions
- Improve health literacy by linking individuals with those who have a lived experience with navigating the health care system
- Enhance shared decision-making and medication management support



# Enhancing Care in Practices and Clinics

- Saves time (peers answer questions and provide support so patients seek less from provider)
- Provides valuable info on living with condition and practical tips providers don't knowteaches self management
- ▷ Increases adherence to treatment plans\*
- ▶Improved patient outcomes\*
- ► Increased patient and family access to community resources



# What are the Benefits to the Patient or Family Member?

### Practical, Experiential Knowledge

Connections to others who have survived and even thrived

Deeper understanding and insight into one's health challenges and the decisions at hand

New skills and behavioral changes

Benefits specific to mentors



Quality and Safety Controls:
Role Clarity

Knowledge from personal experience

Emotional support via shared experience

Knowledge from education and training

Support via counseling, problem-solving, skill development training

Peer Supporter

**Professional** 





Understand the function and value of peer support

Be ready to have the conversation

Know the appropriate resources

Make no assumptions

Integrating Peer Support into Practices

### **TODAY'S PANELISTS**





- » Alice Georgitso
- » Heart Transplant Recipient and Mentor



- » Naomi Williams
- » Parent and Mentor



- » Janna Murrell
- » Raising Special Kids



- » Jim Pantelas
- » Lung Cancer Survivor and Mentor



**QUESTIONS?** 





- ►Institute for Patient- and Family-Centered Care <a href="http://www.ipfcc.org/bestpractices/peer-support.html">http://www.ipfcc.org/bestpractices/peer-support.html</a>
- ▶ Peers for Progress (primary care resources)
  <a href="http://peersforprogress.org/tools-training/primary-care/">http://peersforprogress.org/tools-training/primary-care/</a>

Selected Resources for Peer Support Websites



- ▶ **Alzheimer's** Foundation of America, <u>www.alzfdn.org</u>
- ▶ **Asthma and Allergy** Foundation of America, <u>www.aafa.org</u>
- **Cancer:** NIH National Cancer Institute, <u>www.supportorgs.cancer.org</u>
- American Cancer Society, <u>www.acs.org</u>
- ▶ Cardiovascular Disease: Mended Hearts, <u>www.mendedhearts.org</u>
- ▶ Children with Special Needs: Parent to Parent USA, www.p2pusa.org
- Diabetes: JDRF, www.jdrf.org
- **⊳ Grief and Bereavement,** Option B, <u>www.optionb.org</u>
- ▶ Mental Illness: NAMI, <u>www.nami.org</u>
- > Variety of Diseases: Smart Patients, www.smartpatients.com

National Programs Offering Peer Support



- Approaches and Challenges to Integrating Peer Support into Primary Care Services

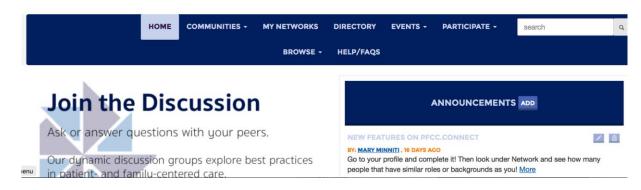
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Selected Articles Highlighting the Evidence for Peer Support



A free on-line learning community dedicated to partnerships with patients and families to improve and transform care across all settings.





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### THANK YOU

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