

Capital District Psychiatric Center
Regional Advisory Committee Input
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Educating parents or custodians of children about rights within the system and how to exercise them

A stronger place at the table for non-medication approaches to mental illness

Connections beyond the mental health system – encourage and support peers to move beyond just medical model treatment

Use of Trauma informed perspectives that promote non coercive treatment (balanced power between recipient and provider)

Assistance to help people exercise their rights – independent advocate

Flexibility of funding for state providers to develop programs that focus on things that they will be geared to the same things people do when they move to the community

Promote advocacy through human rights, end the use of labels, and the abolition of force within the system.

Advocate for the ability to appreciate the separate input of the “movement” (human rights) and the “industry” (peer service) while seeing both as valuable

Respect for difference of opinions in both theory and practice

Cultural awareness that understands the importance of language, and value the different perspectives of each other

Promote the full understanding of rights such as ability to leave AMA