Recovery First; Family Second; Work Third
Incorporating Peer Services into your Continuum of Care

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Overview

• Defining Recovery-Oriented Workplace
• Parents Anonymous® of Oregon Parent Mentor Program Core Values
• Our Supervision Model
• The Sanctuary Model
• Team Support & Connection
• Why Mentors love their jobs
• Small group exercise
Recovery

• What does recovery mean to you?

• What might a recovery-oriented workplace be like?
Parents Anonymous® of Oregon
Recovery-Oriented Workplace

Providing a nurturing & supportive work environment for staff:

1. Recovery First
2. Family Second
3. Work Third
Parent Mentors!
Peer Workforce Development

Peers enter with:
• Lived experience
• Knowledge of recovery practices and resources
• Experience of supporting other people entering recovery
• Desire to give back to the community
• Motivation to learn/grow
• Sharing their story

Supervisors provide coaching on:
• Office skills & documentation
• Multiple pathways to recovery, e.g. MAT/MSR
• Self care practices
• Professional ethics
• Boundaries
• Motivational Interviewing
• Trauma-Informed Care
• Advocacy roles
• De-escalation/Crisis Intervention
• Equity & Inclusion issues
SAMHSA Trauma Informed Care Principles:

1. Safety
2. Trust & Transparency
3. Peer Support
4. Collaboration & Mutuality
5. Empowerment, Voice & Choice
6. Cultural, Historical & Gender issues
Parents Anonymous® Inc.
Core Values:

- Parent Leadership
- Shared Leadership
- Mutual Support
- Personal Growth
Parents Anonymous® of Oregon Supervision Culture

• Supervisors hold hope for each mentor’s personal and professional growth

• Organizational leadership supports low supervisor to peer ratio (about 5:1) and manageable caseloads for peers (10-15)

• Mentors hold hope for each parent’s ability to grow and change
Until recently, there was little formal information available about peer supervision competencies.

Eric Martin, MAC, CADC III, PRC, CPS Anthony Jordan, MPA, CADC II, CRM and a group of peers working in the field in Oregon authored an indispensable curriculum (William White completed the qualitative review.) It is available for free online. Also includes a helpful peer evaluation form. This tool filled a major gap for peer supervisors!

Don’t supervise peers without it!

Peer Supervisor Requirements

- Has recovery experience as an individual who identifies as a person being in recovery from a substance use disorder
- Has occupational experience as a peer, and/or other SUD behavioral healthcare experience
- Has completed the core substance use disorder peer training
- In Oregon, administrative rules require “supervision by a qualified clinical supervisor and a qualified peer delivered services supervisor as resources are available”
What is Supervision?

High quality supervision include the following features:

• Development of a trusting relationship
• Focus on empowerment
• Emphasis on building mentors’ competencies
**PAO Supervisors care about the whole person**

- PAO Supervisors conduct weekly, strength-based supervision with each mentor that incorporates a personal & recovery check-in, in addition to client care

- PAO Supervisors build relationships with Mentors and role model how they want them to work with Parents (parallel process)
What do Mentors say about their Supervisors?

- Recovery first, Family second and Job third. Supervisors encourage us to take care of ourselves so that we better serve our parents.

- I appreciate that supervisors believe in the work that we do as Parent Mentors.

- My supervisor checks up with me about …what I'm doing for self-care and how my recovery is going, which gives me an opportunity to share some of my feelings honestly and openly without feeling any judgment … I love that I can be completely honest with my supervisors.

- The supervisors have a unique ability to help me develop professionalism and set boundaries.
Positive & Constructive Feedback

- Research suggests that highly effective teams make 5 positive comments to every negative 1.
- Similar research shows that married relationships are happier when there is a ratio of 5 positive comments to every negative 1 (with divorced couples having ratios of 3 positive comments to every 4 negative).

Trusting Relationships

• Show mentors you care about them
• Prioritize mentor’s wellness
• Recognize positive steps taken
• Curiosity not criticism
• Be available

“I'm calling my supervisor saying, ‘OK, I have a client and she needs to go into the psych ward...and she wants me to pick her up and take her somewhere. She is detoxing and suicidal... [supervisor] is just walking me through it.”
– Mentor
Focus on Empowerment

• Respect life experience as much as professional training
• Provide opportunities for shared leadership
• Peer Advocacy roles

“You don't want the mentor to have a top-down approach with their clients, and we... don't manage with a hammer... [we] try to involve mentors in decision making.”

—Supervisor
Building Competencies

• Help mentors establish and adhere to professional boundaries
• Assist mentors in building their workplace toolkit
• Offer regular feedback and recognize steps towards growth
• Provide additional workforce development opportunities
Trauma-Informed Team Environment

- Discussing and modeling Self Care
- Weekly Team Meetings
- Meeting Agendas
- Rotating Team Leaders
- The Supervision Checklist
- The Community Meeting
- Allow peers to attend recovery meetings on work time when needed
Supervision as Parallel Process

Mentoring

Supervision
Boundaries
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MODEL SELF CARE!

MAKE time FOR Yourself
YOU ARE IMPORTANT
Weekly Team Meetings

• Trust
• Predictability
• Group Supervision/Case Staffing
• Support – helping each other cope
• Connection
• Learning
• Fun!*
Parent Mentor Team Meeting Agenda

August 29th, 2016

• Team leader today is Belinda
• Michelle is taking her son to his first day of middle school! and will be late
• Brittany will be out of the office Thursday & Friday this week

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Agenda
9:30-9:45 Community Meeting
9:45-10:15 Outreach check-in and Case Assignment:
10:15-10:30 Office Etiquette Reminders/Discussion
10:30-11:15 Case Staffing
11:15-11:30 Announcements

Announcements:
• No team next Monday (Labor Day Holiday)
• Please make sure to schedule time to complete August summaries by Wed. Sept. 7
• Scholarships available for Shoulder to Shoulder. Who wants to attend this conference on Oct. 24th?
• Our new Program Supervisor for D3, Chad, is starting today! He will be in the Irving office tomorrow – Please introduce yourself and make him feel welcome!
• Remember to check your email for Back to School Resources
• Required 30-minute Online Privacy & Security Training
• Court coverage – who can revise the calendar today?
• Does anyone here need some personal support today?
• Do mentors have any announcements?
• Would anyone like to share gratitude or appreciation?
• Who will lead team next week?
### The Supervision Checklist

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<td>identified blind spots, countertransference or bias</td>
<td>provided a coaching, teaching or skill development moment</td>
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<td>identified under-engaging clients and developed a new plan</td>
<td>requested feedback/input on supervision</td>
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The Community Meeting!

• “How are you feeling today?”*
• “What is your goal for today?”
• “Who can you ask for help?”
The Sanctuary® Model is a blueprint for clinical and organizational change which, at its core, promotes safety and recovery from adversity through the active creation of a trauma-informed community. A recognition that trauma is pervasive in the experience of human beings forms the basis for the Sanctuary Model's focus not only on the people who seek treatment, but equally on the people and systems who provide that treatment.

The Sanctuary® Model originated in the Philadelphia area in the early 1980s, created by a team of clinicians working in a small inpatient adult hospital unit. This team, led by Dr. Sandra Bloom, combined their clinical knowledge with their own experiences to create a trauma-informed program they called Sanctuary.
What is The Sanctuary Model?

"A traumatic experience impacts the entire person – the way we think, the way we learn, the way we remember things, the way we feel about ourselves, the way we feel about other people, and the way we make sense of the world...“

- Sandra Bloom, M.D.
The 7 Principles of Sanctuary:

- Non-Violence
- Emotional Intelligence
- Social Learning
- Democracy
- Open Communication
- Social Responsibility
- Growth & Change
Q&A!
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Thank you!
Remember to take care of yourself in this work - your staff needs you to!
Resources

• Peer Supervision Competencies:

• A great article about the basics of Supportive Supervision from the Family Connections Project at Children’s Hospital Boston:

• To learn more about Sanctuary:
  http://thesanctuaryinstitute.org/about-us/the-sanctuary-model

• To learn more about Parents Anonymous®, visit
  http://parentsanonymouos.org/