



PROVIDER ALERT

Youth Support Endorsement Opportunity

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Alert Summary: This alert details a training opportunity for Youth Support providers.

Dear Provider,

Optum is providing another opportunity to obtain the Youth Support (YS) endorsement training. If you are interested in providing this service, we encourage you to participate, as you must have your YS endorsement to render this service to members. As a reminder, a YS provider must also have an existing Peer Support certification.

The live webinar training opportunity is scheduled for the mornings of Jan. 26-29, 2021, 9-12:30 MT. Participants need to attend all four half-days, plus a required one-hour technology check on Jan. 22, 2021, at either 10 a.m. or 3 p.m. MT. If this is of interest, please [click here](#) to complete the YS training enrollment form.

Provider Qualifications:

1. Minimum of a High School Diploma (or equivalent)
2. Current Idaho Peer Support Specialist Certification: <https://www.bpahealth.com/idaho-peer-cert/>
3. Lived experience with serious emotional disturbance (SED) or SED co-occurring with substance use disorder (SUD) as a youth or adolescent (standalone SUD lived experience is not eligible)
4. Recovery for a minimum of one year
5. Successfully passing a screening process

It is recommended that providers of this service are between 21 -30 years of age.

Endorsement:

The Optum Idaho YS endorsement is granted upon completion of all the following:

1. Obtain and maintain an Idaho Peer Support Specialist Certification, which must be current and valid prior to enrolling in online training
2. Complete online YS training modules (available on Relias), which must be completed prior to attending the live webinar training
3. Complete screening interview with YS Trainer: providers must successfully pass the screening interview
4. Attendance at a live webinar training over four half-days with the successful completion of a test covering the material learned

Youth Support endorsement is Optum Idaho issued and only valid within Idaho Medicaid.

For additional information, please refer to the provider alerts issued earlier this year on [June 15](#) and [July 1](#).

Thank you,
The Optum Idaho Team