



Peer Support Action Committee Meeting
December 20th, 2021
1-2:30PM

1) Welcome

- a) Today's objectives
- b) Norms
- c) SUDC overview with three action committees now determined
 - i) Peer Support
 - ii) Harm Reduction
 - iii) Recovery Residences

2) Introductions

- a) Name & Organization
- b) What does peer support mean to you?
- c) How does - or might - peer support come into play in your world?
 - i) Strategic Alliance for Improved Behavioral Health just received a grant for Peer Support building in Missoula.

3) Review of Peer support sketching completed at the Stakeholder Retreat

4) Vision of SUDC Peer Support for Missoula County. All members given the opportunity to jot down/sketch what their vision for SUDC peer support looks like in Missoula County followed by breakout rooms of 2-3 people to discuss and share with the group.

- a) Main themes that came out of the discussion include:
 - i) Improved pay for the profession
 - ii) Increasing the number of peer support specialists
 - iii) Opportunities for peer support specialists to work full-time
 - iv) Removing barriers for individuals working in peer support
 - v) More opportunities for social interaction
 - vi) Availability to ongoing trainings
 - vii) Peer support availability to multiple agencies/organizations with flexibility to shift if necessary
 - viii) Developing a standardized policies and procedures process for peer support
 - ix) Enhancing the credibility of the profession as a whole
 - x) Having the ability to instantly connect an individual to a peer support specialist when necessary

5) Learning Agenda for next meeting

- a) Understand state-wide peer support qualifications/agency regulations
- b) Factors around payment for someone with a felony conviction
- c) Offering insurance reimbursement for peer support groups