



PROVIDER ALERT

Youth Support Endorsement Training

Aug. 1, 2023

Alert Summary: This alert details the dates for the next Youth Support endorsement training

Dear Provider,

Optum Idaho is providing another Youth Support endorsement training opportunity:

- Monday-Thursday, Oct. 24-27, 2023
- 9 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. MT / 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. MT each day with a 30-minute lunch break

An exam will take place on the last day of training. The exam will begin by 2:30 p.m. MT on Oct. 27 and it will not be timed. Trainees will stay on Zoom to take the exam and will be able to leave the training once they have completed the exam.

- Deadline to apply is Oct. 5, 2023
- Individuals who are accepted into the training will be required to attend a tech check Thursday, Oct. 19 at either 9 a.m. MT or 5:30 p.m. MT.

If you are interested in providing this service and you meet the required qualifications listed below, we encourage you to participate, as you must have your Youth Support endorsement to render this service to members. As a reminder, a Youth Support provider must have an existing Peer Support Certification. Youth Support endorsement is Optum Idaho-issued and only valid within Idaho Medicaid. [Click here to apply](#)

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

6. It is recommended that providers of this service are between the ages 21-30 and have a strong personal connection to current youth culture to connect with youth on a peer-to-peer level based on shared knowledge and experience

Endorsement: Alert Summary:

The Optum Idaho Youth Support 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 the enrollment form
3. Complete screening interview with Youth Support Trainer: Providers must successfully pass the screening interview
4. Full attendance at a live webinar training over a four-day period
5. After full completion, provider logs into Relias to print their endorsement certificate

The cost of training supplies and materials is \$50 per person for providers who successfully pass the applicant screening process (the remaining cost of training is covered by Optum Idaho). Instructions for payment to the Idaho Federation of Families will be provided upon acceptance into the Youth Support endorsement training.

For more information on other Peer training, such as Family Support and Peer Support, please contact: BPA Health Peer and Family Support Certification.

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Thank you,

The Optum Idaho Team