



PROVIDER ALERT

Youth Support Endorsement Training
May 1, 2024

Alert Summary: This alert includes information about an upcoming Youth Support endorsement training opportunity.

Dear Provider,

Optum Idaho is providing an upcoming Youth Support endorsement training opportunity:

- June 22 and 23, 2024, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. MT (8 a.m.- 6 p.m. PT)
- Deadline to apply is May 25, 2024

If you are interested in providing this service, you must meet the required qualifications listed below. 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. [Select this link to apply.](#)

Provider Qualifications:

- Minimum of a high school diploma (or equivalent)
- Current Idaho Peer Support Specialist Certification
- 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)
- In recovery for a minimum of one year
- Successfully passes the screening process

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.

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

1. Full attendance at a live virtual training over a two-day period
2. Passing of the final exam on the last day of the training

The cost of training is \$50 per person for providers who 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.

Thank you,

The Optum Idaho Education and Training Team