

System of Care Board Member Description

System of Care: a framework intended to develop a broad flexible array of effective services and supports for a defined multisystem involved population, which is organized into a coordinated network, integrates care planning and care management across multiple levels, is culturally and linguistically competent, builds meaningful partnerships with families and with youth at service delivery, management and policy levels, has supportive management and policy infrastructure, and is data-driven (Pires, 2010).

Position

The Board will support the work of the local system of care and provide mission-based leadership and strategic governance. The appropriate involvement of board members is both critical and expected for the success of the local system of care. Specific Board Member responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Serving as a trusted advisor and helping to develop and implement a mission, vision, strategic plan, and policy development;
- Assisting in identifying and recruiting other Board Members;
- Acting as a community champion for the local system of care;
- Considering supportive strategies or policies within your own purview;
- Following conflict of interest and confidentiality policies;
- Reviewing outcomes and metrics for evaluating impact;
- Reviewing agenda and supporting materials prior to board and committee meetings;
- Willing to commit time for board meetings, committee meetings, planning sessions, and special events.

Qualifications

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual who is passionate about improving child and adolescent mental health and who has a strong track record of community involvement. Selected Board Members will have achieved leadership stature in business, government, philanthropy, and nonprofit. The Board Members' accomplishments will allow them to attract other well-qualified, high-performing Board Members.

Ideal candidates will have the following characteristics:

- A passion for child and adolescent mental health and improving the lives of local children
- Professional experience in local business, government, or nonprofit sectors
- Personal qualities of integrity, service, and credibility
- Innovative thinking and team player – works well in a group
- Understanding of our community and its needs
- Can listen, analyze, and think creatively.