**Amanda S. Metcalf** August 27th, 2021

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**Experience:**

**Family Leadership Coordinator**

Kentucky Partnership for Families and Children INC

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March 2020-Present

Working through the System of Care FIVE grant to support, encourage, and advocate for families throughout Kentucky. Partnering with agencies and other community partners within the child welfare system. Helping to promote, encourage, and help sustain a Family and Youth Driven philosophy throughout the state of Kentucky.

**Kentucky Family Peer Support Specialist**

COPE House

369 Harold Leforce Rd.

Williamsburg Ky 40769

August 2011- Present

Duties included: Empowering parents and caregivers of children with special needs to advocate for themselves and others, Leading Parenting with Principles sessions, Family Peer Support Services, and working to build community partnerships with DCBS and outside agencies.

**Adult Peer Support Specialist/ Peer Support Supervisor/ Coach**

COPE House

 December 2013- Present

Duties included: Working with Adults with behavioral, emotional, and substance use disorders to assist them in their recovery journey. Using community resources and supports to find housing, shelters, food banks, mental health and substance abuse services to assist consumers in their recovery. Utilizing skills and my lived experience to assist other Peer Support Specialist in their recovery and offering support, encouragement, and hope to other peers and consumers that recovery is possible. Working to maintain fidelity with peer support and peer support services.

**Reclaiming Futures**

May 2013-2016

Duties included: Be an advocate for families and youth going through the Reclaiming Futures diversion program. Be a voice for families while sitting on the board of Reclaiming Futures. Held a Family Day event each month for families to come together and express their thoughts and feelings about their child’s progress in the program.

**FAIR Team**

Board of Education

Williamsburg Ky 40769

June 2019-2020

Duties included: Be a voice for families and youth who are involved with drug court and court designated workers (CDW) working with families to ensure they understand the court and CDW process and assisting them with self and family advocacy.

**Peer Support Liaison for Baptist Health Trillium Center**

Corbin Ky 40701

2016- 2020

Duties included: Going to the Trillium Center three days a week or more to meet Adults who have been admitted to the hospital for suicidal ideation, substance abuse, or co-occurring disorders. Assisting them with transportation to and from their first CRBH appointment. Locating community resources to assist with finding housing, shelters, food banks, and other consumer needs. Working with consumers on skill building, navigating the system of care, and working on their recovery.

**Special Trainings and Certifications**

**Kentucky Family Peer Support Specialist CCT Training April 2012**

Completed the five day training focused on leadership, advocacy, working with families and youth who have emotional, behavioral health disabilities.

**Kentucky Adult Peer Support Training December 2013**

Completed five day training related to Adult behavioral and emotional health. How to use motivational interviewing, WRAP process, and history of mental health.

**Peer Support Specialist Coach Training 2013**

How to coach other Peer Support Specialist in my region. Learned how to communicate, support, and encourage other Peer Support Specialist.

**SMART Recovery Facilitator April 2019**

Completed The SMART Recovery online training course to assist Adults in their recovery.

**SMART Recovery Family and Friends Facilitator August 2019**

Completed the online training course to assist families who have a loved one who is struggling with substance abuse.

**Trauma Informed Care March 2012**

Cultures of care, living with trauma, and how to assist/help someone who is dealing with a traumatic experience.

**Kentucky Family Leadership Academy participant September 2011/ Trainer**

Parent leadership, effective communication, and advocacy

**Parenting with Principles participant July 2011/ Trainer**

Twelve session parenting course. Sessions included; Child Abuse, Relationships, Addictions, Budgeting, Depression, Stress, Wellness, Problem Solving, and Discipline.

**WRAP Training Participant and Trainer 2015**

Ten day total training to learn how to do WRAP Plans for myself and how to assist a consumer in completing a WRAP Plan for themselves. Learned the principles and layout of the WRAP Plan and practiced holding WRAP groups through role play.

**Education Advocacy February 2013**

504 and IEP information, Acronyms, Advocating for families, and Special education laws and regulations.

**Parent Café Participant and Trainer 2015**

Learned how to organize and hold a parent café, facilitated parent café through role play, became familiar with hosting parent café.

**Youth Mental Health First Aid November 2013**

Learned how to discuss mental health with youth, learned how to initiate mental health related conversations, how to engage family and friends in mental health services.

**Skills and Abilities**

Very comfortable speaking to individuals and large groups of people

Confident when training new materials to groups

Good communication skills

Proficient in using the computer in regards to Word, Power Point, Email, etc.

Very flexible and easy to get along with

Able to communicate and work with other professionals

Able to look beyond myself toward the bigger picture and strive to move the movement forward

Engages families and youth with respect

Works well with a team or individual project

Highly motivated

Knowledgeable of the System of Care values and principles

**Awards**

Robert Straus Treatment Award for Recovery- 2017

Regional Peer Excellence Award- 2016

Amanda Metcalf, Family Leadership Coordinator

Kentucky Partnership for Families and Children

System of Care FIVE

Amanda is the Family Leadership Coordinator for Kentucky’s System of Care FIVE grant. She is a certified Family and Adult Peer Support Specialist and has worked with her local community mental health center for eight years. In that position, she collaborated with many System of Care partners: behavioral health which includes mental health and substance use, juvenile justice, child welfare, and others. She supports families in navigating these multiple service agencies and empowers them to advocate for the needs of their children and themselves. Amanda is passionate about supporting and encouraging families in the state of Kentucky to recover and live the life they want to live.

Sincerely,

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