Days: all 3

Topics: Implementation, Children/Youth, Training/Coaching, Other – Youth Participation, (maybe Outcomes/Evaluation since we are tracking participation)

Session Needs: External Speakers

Session Format: Either Presentation (60 min) or Workshop (90 minutes)

Title: Wraparound Youth TimeBanking increases Youth Participation & Transition/Community Planning

Learning Goal: (50-word limit) 44

Participants will learn how Youth TimeBanking (as customized for use with youth involved with Wraparound), by definition, directly increases youth participation in their plan of care, while simultaneously increasing social capital (informal supports), community awareness, and forms the basis for a transition/ community plan.

Learning Objectives: (100-word limit) 99

- Overview of Youth TimeBanking (YTB)
 - Understand what YTB is and how it is being used by youth involved with Wraparound
- YTB Guidelines
 - Understand TimeBanking principles that are critical to the safe and successful implementation of YTB in Wraparound organizations.
- Introducing YTB
 - Understand recommended ways to introduce YTB to youth and family teams based on youth age,
 circumstances, and current capacity to interact with others.
- YTB Partnering
 - o Understand how one organization has partnered with system of care providers to use YTB.
- YTB in Youth Voices
 - Hear audio recordings of how youth describe their YTB experience.

Description (150-word limit):

Youth TimeBanking leverages the time and energy of youth to increase community awareness, help others, and build a community plan. YTB has two defining criteria: the youth acts in the role of giver rather than receiver of services. The youth tracks their giving-learning-experiencing activity as they earn YTB "credits" toward rewards. This practice can be an infinite game the youth never stops playing. Examples will be shared of how youth of different ages and stages of development are participating in YTB. Through active participation youth develop increased confidence, stronger coping skills, and find themselves doing meaningful things valued by others. YTB is a positive activity in which the youth can only make forward progress. Additional effort yields credits bringing the youth closer to reward thresholds. Collateral advantage is the youth realizing that the doing is its own reward. Meaningful relationships they build through YTB are available to them indefinitely.

Larger Audience Applications (100-word limit):

As part of the overall theme of the conference, Evidence and Transformation, YTB is a mechanism for increasing essentially every principle of Wraparound. YTB is a unique experience for each youth. The YTB experience is self-determined (Family Voice-Choice, Cultural Competence, Individualized), connects with others (Natural Supports), increases community awareness (Community Based), has incremental stepping stones (Outcomes-Based), helps youth discover hidden interests (Strengths Based), infinite possibilities (Unconditional Care), broad support (Collaborative, Team-Based). YTB provides the opportunity for youth to reach credit-reward levels in between each team meeting. Data is being collected on YTB to show how it drives Wraparound fidelity.