**Community Conversations on Peer Support Statewide Events**

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission has developed a new Medicaid benefit called Peer Support designed for organizations interested in integrating peer support services into their operations. HHSC, in coordination with practicing peer support specialists and leaders of organizations who employ peers are hosting events across the state.

Aug.21, 2018

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Meadows Conference Center

2900 Live Oak Street

Dallas, Texas 75204

Sept. 19, 2018

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Amarillo Recovery from Alcohol and Drugs

1001 Wallace Boulevard

Amarillo, Texas 79106

Oct. 10, 2018

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Texas Tech University Health Science Center

Medical Education Building, Room 1150

5001 El Paso Dr.

El Paso, Texas 79905

Nov. 14, 2018

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Behavioral Health Solutions of South Texas

5510 N. Cage Boulevard, Suite N

Pharr, Texas 78577

Dec. 12, 2018

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Coastal Bend

1801 S. Alameda Street, Suite 150

Corpus Christi, Texas 78404

Jan. 28, 2019

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Southwest Border HIDTA/South Texas Region

4204 Woodcock Drive, Suite 100

San Antonio, Texas 78228

February 27, 2019

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Resource Center Gymnasium

2300 Circle Drive

Fort Worth, Texas 76119

Topics discussed at the events include:

* The context of peer support services
* The steps involved in becoming a peer support provider
* Experience-based recommendations for organizational implementation once benefits have been created and approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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Overview of Peer Support as a Medicaid Benefit (PPT)