Family Support Partner Program

Family Support Partners (FSPs) provide peer support to families as they connect to and navigate mental health services. The FSPs have lived experience as a parent or family member of a child with a serious emotional disorder, as well as a deep connection to the communities in the St. Louis Promise Zone. FSPs are certified by the Missouri Dept. of Mental Health and employed by Vision for Children at Risk (VCR).

**Family Support Partner Commitments:**

1. FSPs will support parents/families, always remember to create a space for **voice & choice**.
2. FSPs will partner with parents/families, **walk alongside**.
3. FSPs will **share information** about other VCR parent/family programs.
4. FSPs will share that they are **parents with lived experience**, and validate that parents are the “expert” on their families.
5. FSPs are working with **families to listen/learn** about their needs.
6. FSPs will provide support services in a **non-judgmental manner**.
7. FSPs will provide **reassurance** about the FSP contact/follow up processes.
8. FSPs will assist parents/families with **navigating** the resource connection process.
9. FSPs will help **facilitate and nurture a culture of respect** for parents/families.
10. FSPs will work towards being **invited in** to help parents/families identify goals they would like to achieve.

FSPs will be in contact with families once they have been referred to the Family Support Program. **We look forward to speaking with you.**

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