



Occupational Competencies for Family Advocates

1. Understands and applies Family-Driven Care Principles and models them for families and staff.
2. Identifies and uses family engagement, family self-assessment and family empowerment (learn, use, teach) strategies and tools. Models use of strategies and tools for staff.
3. Uses knowledge and skills, gained through personal experience as the parent/primary care-giver, to assist and empower families.
4. Effectively advocates at program, agency, local and state levels in order to ensure that policies, procedures and services are Family-Driven/Youth Guided, Trauma Informed, and Culturally Competent.
5. Links families to natural and community supports as well as formal services by serving as a bridge for families and providers.

(Understands and adheres to funder/regulatory requirements when providing services and preparing progress notes, monthly reports, and other required documentation)

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