

# Participant Agenda

### **Meeting Information**

Tuesday, October 25, 2023 at 2:00 – 3:30 pm CT \*Please <u>register</u> in advance\*

## **Facilitators and Presenters**

Facilitators

- Jill Kemper (HMA)
- Boyd Brown (HMA)
- Paul Fleissner (HMA)

Presenters

• Charles Robbins (HMA)

## Minnesota Substance Use Disorder Community of Practice Meeting Overview

The Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Community of Practice (CoP) consists of people who are engaged in the field of SUD treatment and prevention in any capacity including, but not limited to, people with lived experience, providers, family members, researchers, recovery peers, state agency and county health and human service representatives, health plan representatives and advocates. The group will issue reports and recommendations to the legislative chairs and ranking minorities of committees in both local and regional governments.

This CoP will be focused on understanding and enhancing SUD advocacy within Minnesota communities. Community advocacy involves efforts by individuals in the SUD field to share information, reduce stigma and other barriers, and influence how SUD is identified and treated. Advocates can include professionals in the SUD treatment field, community members, medical professionals, local, state, or national government, and individuals or friends and family of those with lived experience. This CoP will introduce an overview of the Minnesota community advocacy landscape, as well as provide resources, strategies, and best practices for being an advocate in your community.

### Agenda

- Welcome, Introductions, and Updates
- Voices of Experience
- Presentation: SUD Community Advocacy
- Wrap Up and Next Steps

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