Focus on the Family: Using Person and Family Centered Care for Mental Health

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Learning Objectives

- Learn about person and family centered care.
- Learn about shared decision making
- Understand the value of providing the person and the family with information about their condition and the treatment options available.
- Understand models of engaging individuals and their family in the treatment process, including peer education and support.



 Less than 50% of people with a mental health diagnosis receive treatment

 1/3 of individuals with SMI who seek mental health services drop out of treatment

Source: Kreyenbuhl, J., Nossel, I.R. and Dixon, L.B. *Disengagement from mental health treatment among individuals with schizophrenia and strategies for facilitating connections to care: a review of the literature*. Schizophrenia Bulletin, vol. 35 no. 4 pp. 696-703 (2009)

Models of care that can make a difference

- Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC)
- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)
- Open Dialogues Finland
- Head Space Australia
- NAMI peer led education and support programs



What is person centered care?





Aspects of person centered care

- Respect people's values and putting the person at the center of care
- Taking into account people's preferences and expressed needs
- Coordinating and integrating care
- Working together to make sure there is good communication, information and education
- Making sure people are physically comfortable and safe
- Emotional support
- Involving family and friends
- Making sure there is continuity between and within services
- Making sure people have access to appropriate care when then need it



Why is person centered care important

- Improves the quality of the services available
- Helps people get the care they need when they need it
- Empowers people to be more active in advocating for themselves and the services they need
- Offering care in a more person centered way can improve outcomes



Components of PCC that can impact outcomes

- Getting to know the patient as a person and recognizing their individuality and strengths
- Viewing the person as an expert about their own health and care
- Sharing power and responsibility
- Taking a holistic approach to assessing the person's needs and providing care
- Including families
- Making sure that services are accessible, flexible and easy to navigate



Components of PCC that can impact outcomes

- Considering the person's whole experience of care with an eye toward coordination and continuity
- Ensuring that the physical, cultural and psychosocial environment of services supports person centered care
- Ensuring that staff are supportive, well trained in communication and striving to put people at the center of their own care



Changing assumptions: Systems of Care Framework

- Based on strengths and needs across life domains
- Determined through shared decision making process with the person and the family
- Flexible and continuous
- Community-based
- Planned in collaboration with all systems involved with the person
- Culturally competent
- Least restrictive and least intrusive as possible



How the onset of psychosis affects the person & family

Emerging Symptoms

Increasing Stress and Isolation

Changes to
Performance and
Behavior

Feedback Loops (Fear, negative attributions, conflict, consequences, role pressure, grief)

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Common experiences entering treatment

- Being blamed when struggling to do your best
- Trying what worked before but it doesn't work now
- Conflict in support systems
- Grief
- Fear
- Suicidality



Shared decision making

is NOT tokenism or decoration

 IS serious commitment at both individual, family and organization levels

IS genuine



Engaging families

- "Family" should be identified by the person
- Tendency to exclude families
 - The person is an adult
 - Family conflict is frequently present
 - Practitioners frequently align with families
- Families are a core long term resource



Engaging

- Reach out
- Listen
- Meet people where they are
- Intentionally address power imbalances
- Connect the dots between what the person wants/needs and opportunities
- Communicate their importance
- Ask for continual feedback



Potential barriers to engagement

- Inability or unwillingness to use creative and innovative approaches
- Deficits-based rather than strengths-based orientation
- Inability to work effectively within and across diverse cultures
- Rigid adherence to program rules and regulations
- Lack of respect for individuals and families
- Inability to convey a sense of hope for recovery and achieving life goals



Stages of engagement

- Prior to entering treatment
- Entry into treatment
- Assessment and treatment planning
- Ongoing care planning
- Programmatic planning and improvement
- Evaluation
- Oversight
- System development/leadership





ENGAGEMENT

A New Standard for Mental Health Care





- Prioritize engagement at all levels (training, payment, measurement, etc.)
- Communicate hope
- Share information and decision making
- Treat people with respect and dignity
- Use a strengths-based approach



- Shape services and supports around life goals and interests
- Take risks and be adaptable to meet individuals where they are
- Provide opportunities for individuals to include family and other close supporters as essential partners



- Recognize the role of the community, culture, faith, sexual orientation and gender identity, age, language and economic status in recovery
- Provide robust, meaningful peer and family involvement in system design, clinical care and provider education and training
- Promote collaboration among a wide range of systems and providers, including primary care, emergency services, law enforcement, housing providers and others



Last but not least

 Add peer support services for individuals and families as an essential element of mental health care











Sustaining **POSITIVE** Outcomes

Improved coping

Reduced family stress

Increased knowledge

Increased help-seeking behaviors

Empowerment

Changed attitudes toward mental health

Improved problem

solving skills





New collaboration with the American Psychiatric Association











National Alliance on Mental Illness

I have been working at the hospital for 20 years, and this is one of the best programs I have been through for staff. We have worked hard over the years to create a more humanistic and compassionate culture. This program will definitely help us in that direction.





What is NAMI Provider?

- Five-session, 15 hour program for healthcare staff who work with individuals and families affected by mental illness
- Sessions organized into short lectures, discussions and group exercises
- Presented by a trained 3-person team:
 - 1. Family member
 - 2. Person in recovery
 - 3. Health care professional who is also a family member or person in recovery

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NAMI Provider program goals

- Introduce health care staff to the emotional stages people affected by mental illness experience on the way to recovery
- Help staff gain a fresh understanding of and empathy for their patients' lived experience, especially during treatment
- Promote collaboration between clients, families and providers to achieve the best level of recovery possible

It's all about Engagement



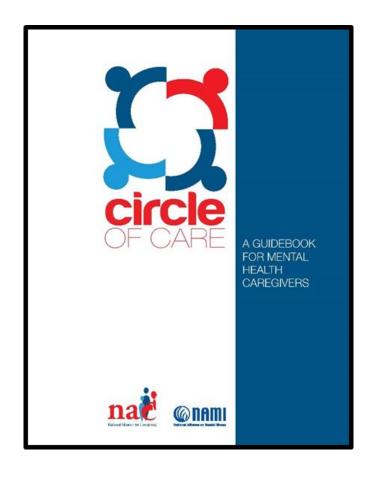
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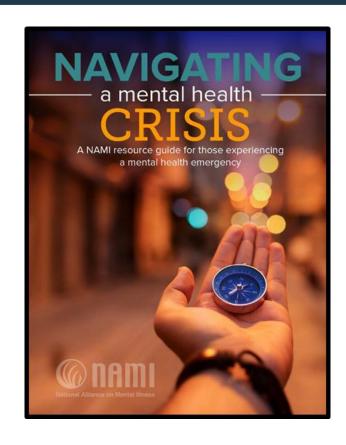


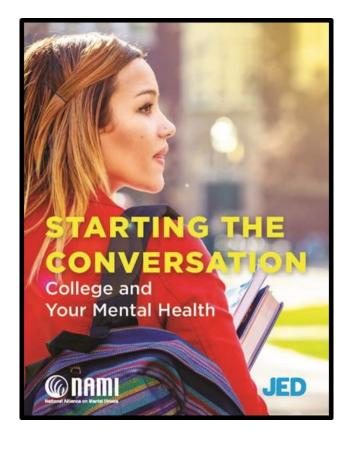




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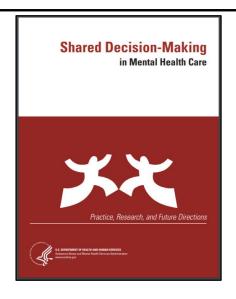
More Resources

- SAMHSA Shared Decision-Making Tools
 https://www.samhsa.gov/brss-tacs/recovery-support-tools/shared-decision-making
- Shared Decision-Making in Mental Health Care https://store.samhsa.gov/system/files/sma09-4371.pdf
- Administration for Community Living
 Person Centered Planning
 https://acl.gov/programs/consumer-control/person-centered-planning



Shared Decision-Making Tools

Shared decision-making tools help people in treatment and recovery work together with their providers to make the best plan for their needs and situation.









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