## YOUTH POWER!

# Western Region Mental Health Waiver Youth Peer Advocate Training

### March 18 & 19, 2015 9:00am-5:00pm

1099 Jay St, Rochester, New York, Building J FACT Office, Conference Room #10



YOUTH POWER! and Cornell University are pleased to offer this first ever Mental Health Waiver Youth Peer Advocacy Training.

#### Important information about the training:

- Completion of this training will be required of all Youth Peer Advocates (YPA) working in the Mental Health Waiver programs.
- Participants will receive a completion certificate.
- As the first site, participants will be able to give feedback to enhance the training.
- This training will not be offered in the western region again in 2015.
- Participants will also be expected to complete four online training components after the in person training.
- Lunch will be provided.
- This training is free for young adults who meet the YPA qualifications.
- All participants must pre-register at this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WESTERN\_YPA

## This training is for young adults who will quality as candidates for YPA positions. To qualify as a YPA one must:

- be an individual 18 to 28 years old
- be self-identified as a consumer or survivor of mental health services, special education or foster care;
- have either a high school diploma, high school equivalency or a NYS State Education Commencement Credential (e.g. SACC or CDOS);
- have the ability to maintain confidentiality
- be cleared by the State Child Abuse Registry and Justice Center requirements;
- complete fingerprinting for a criminal history background clearance

#### Do not miss this important opportunity!

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