



**GUAM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER
I FAMAGU'ON-TA/ CHILD ADOLESCENT SERVICES DIVISION
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Guam System of Care Code of Ethics for:

**Youth Coordinator, Family Partner and Family/Youth Peer Support Specialist
(Patterned after Washington, D.C. Behavioral Health Peer Specialist Code of Ethics)**

I Famagu'on-ta, Child Adolescent Services Division of the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center has adopted a code of ethics for our Youth Coordinator, Family Partners, and Family/Youth Peer Specialists for System of Care. The Youth Coordinator, Family Partner, Family and Youth Peer Specialist is required to comply with and sign a copy of the code of ethics. The Code of Ethics includes the following principles which are intended to guide the Youth Coordinator, Family Partner, Family and Youth Peer Specialists in their various professional roles, relationships and level of responsibility. Youth Coordinator, Family Partner, Family and Youth Peer Specialist shall:

1. Be strong advocate and support to youth & families in addressing their needs, wants and goals in achieving personal wellness;
2. Maintain high standards of personal conduct in a manner that fosters my own personal wellness;
3. Openly share relevant personal experiences with young people, families and colleagues what helped in my recovery from mental health challenges, and be able to identify, and describe the supports that helped in my recovery to wellness;
4. At all times, respect the rights and dignity of those I serve;
5. Never intimidate, threaten, harass, and use undue influence, physical force or verbal abuse, or make unwarranted promises of benefits to the individuals I serve;
6. Not practice, condone, facilitate or collaborate in any form of discrimination in violation of federal or local law;
7. Adhere to HIPAA standards and be respectful to the privacy and confidentiality of those I serve;
8. Advocate for the full integration of youth and families into the communities of their choice and promote their inherent value to those communities;
9. Not engage in dual relationships such as a romantic or sexual relationship with those I serve, not provide peer support services to anyone with whom I've had romantic and sexual intimacies in the past. This includes internet/social media romantic and sexual intimacies;
10. Not use relationship with people receiving support services for financial gain or put the other person at risk of exploitation or harm;
11. Comply with the department's policies regarding the protection of individuals from abuse or neglect;
12. Not use illegal substances under any circumstances; and
13. Not accept gifts or any value from youth or family members I serve.
14. Not be employed at an agency where I am currently receiving mental/behavioral health services.

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name of Witness (Staff): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____