

EXPANDING YOUTH VOICE IN SYSTEM OF CARE:

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EVALUATORS

INCORPORATE YOUTH AND FAMILY VOICE FROM THE BEGINNING

Identify ways to recruit, train, mentor, and support youth and families in the design, data collection, and dissemination of all evaluation efforts

USE THEIR VOICE TO INFORM YOUR EVALUATION

Invite youth and families to participate in evaluation efforts, instrument design, and data collection procedures so that items are appropriate and accessible for youth and families to be able to provide accurate information

HONOR THEIR COMMITMENT

Provide stipends or other compensation to youth and families to honor their work and contributions to evaluation efforts

GET FEEDBACK ON HOW TO SHARE INFORMATION

Collaborate with youth and families to identify ways to share data and ensure that the findings are accessible to them

SUPPORT THEIR EFFORTS

Support youth and family-run organizations/initiatives in identifying methods for collecting data and demonstrating their outcomes