



# Federation of Families of South Carolina

*A Voice for Children's Mental Health in SC*

The Federation of Families of SC is seeking a parent/caregiver who has had the primary caregiving responsibility raising a child with emotional, behavioral, mental health and/or substance use disorder to be employed as a full-time Parent Peer Support Provider. Interested candidates must submit a **resume** and **cover letter** sharing your lived experience raising a child with behavioral health needs to Belinda Pearson-Barber at [belinda.barber@fedfamsc.org](mailto:belinda.barber@fedfamsc.org). This position will be based at **GHS Marshall I. Pickens Children's Residential Treatment Facility in Greenville**.

## **Parent Peer Support Provider Responsibilities:**

Parent Peer Support Provider works with families at Marshall I. Pickens and in the community. This includes outreach activities such as face-to-face meetings, telephone, mail, email and Facebook contact as well as presentations with community agencies that serve children, youth and their families.

Parent Peer Support Provider works with parent/caregiver and their families in helping them understand the process of admission and discharge at Marshall I. Pickens.

Parent Peer Support Provider provides support and teach advocacy skills to parents to participate actively in their child's treatment team meetings, Individualized Education Planning (IEP) meetings; Plan of Care meetings; child welfare and court hearings; and, other meetings pertaining to the child's behavioral health care needs.

Parent Peer Support Provider develops support networks and educational groups with family members/primary caregivers of children and youth identified with, or at risk of emotional or behavioral challenges.

## **Position requirements:**

- High School Diploma or GED.
- Experience with pediatric residential treatment facilities and how the program operates.
- Lived experience as parent or primary caregiver of a child, youth or young adult with a mental, emotional, behavioral and/or substance use disorder.
- Valid driver's license
- Reliable transportation
- Ability to pass required background checks including Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Ability to work a flexible schedule including evening and weekend meetings with parents.
- Knowledge of, or ability to develop familiarity with, pertinent community resources, children's mental health, and navigating child serving systems such as mental health, special education, child welfare, and juvenile justice.
- Strong communication skills
- Strong writing skills
- Proficiency with Microsoft office and social media
- Ability to work effectively within a team or independently

**We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.**