

ANNOUNCING NEXT NATIONAL CERTIFICATION OF PARENT LEADERS!!!

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MISSION

The mission of the National Certification of Parent Leaders is to enhance the lives of families and communities worldwide by inspiring and empowering Parent and Shared Leadership®

BACKGROUND

For more than 46 years, the National Center on Shared Leadership® and [Parents Anonymous® Inc.](#) have created innovative, successfully implemented and evaluated parent and shared leadership® comprehensive programs, trainings, technical assistance, coaching, program designs, and policy and systems change with thousands of parents, staff, agencies, communities and governments across all child and family serving systems around the world. Our evidence-based results have demonstrated increases in knowledge, skills and abilities of parent leaders and staff that resulted in actual change linked to improved outcomes for families and communities (McKenna, 1994; 1996; National Council on Crime & Delinquency, 2008; Polinsky et al, 2005, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012). This National Certification of Parent Leaders provides the first ever opportunity to implement a comprehensive, research and competency based credentialing program for Parent Leaders new and experienced to build upon their knowledge, skills and abilities and ensure the successful implementation of a unique set of Exemplary Leadership Practices™ to make significant change to better families lives.

RESEARCH-BASED LEARNING COMPETENCIES

The theoretical basis and importance of National Certification of Parent Leaders is confirmed in numerous published studies identifying the positive results of peer to peer support and meaningful parent leadership outcomes in child welfare, mental health, wraparound, and education (Anthony, Berrick et al, 2009; Munson et al, 2009; Kutash et al, 2010; Hoagwood et al, 2010). Successful family engagement is an essential ingredient to ensuring the achievement of the five protective factors of the strengthening families approach (Pion-Berlin et al, 2011). For more than five decades research has established that effective parent engagement ensures school readiness, produces higher gains in scores for math and reading and increases graduation rates (Mapp, 2012). Furthermore, the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration and the Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services highlighted peer support for parents and youth as key community-based services that significantly improve the quality of life for children and youth with severe mental health conditions and their families (May 7, 2013).

FORMAT

Three distinctive components ensure the development of all 10 Leadership Competencies (5 Exemplary Leadership Practices™, Communication, Cultural Responsiveness, Ethics and Professionalism, Life's Balancing Act, and Individualized Action Plan): **1.** 32 hours (over 4 days) of comprehensive training utilizing didactic learning, small group discussion, and experiential exercises with individual assessments; **2.** Development and Implementation of an Individual Action Plan and **3.** A Series of Coaching Sessions. Completion occurs within 4-6 months.

COST

- Must register online and pay \$3,000 per participant (discounted from \$3,200)
- Groups of 10 or more from one agency: \$2,800 per person; please call for further information.

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