



## North Dakota Consumer Family Network

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### History:

- 2022** - Mental Health America of ND (MHAND) awarded Department of Human Services CFN Contract. Services to be consumer & family-driven and help with service navigation and SSI/SSDI applications through SOAR.
- 2011** - MHAND awarded DHS CFN contract services to be consumer and family driven.
- 2008** - Western Sunrise receives DHS contract. Statewide conferences resume and Peer Support expands.
- 2006** - DHS awards CFN grant to MHAND. CFN curriculum program implemented.
- 2004** - DHS awards consumer grant to MHAND and Leadership Academy training held statewide.
- 1999** - MHAND receives SAMHSA networking grant. Statewide consumer conferences begin.
- 1995** - Funding ends; regional groups continue. Wellness Recovery Action Program (WRAP) begins.
- 1991** - MHAND receives DHS grant to develop the first statewide Consumer Network.

### Membership Application:

Mail to: MHAND, PO Box 4106, Bismarck, ND 58502-4106

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone for texting (if different): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a consumer (person who has lived with a mental illness)? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a family member? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a friend or professional who works with consumers? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about this group? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you see as concerns or challenges with the mental health system in North Dakota? \_\_\_\_\_

## **Mission:**

*Together we are dedicated to ensuring the mental healthcare system of North Dakota, including community recovery support programs, are consumer and family driven. We will work together to be informed and advocate for our recovery choices and possibilities.*

## **Organization:**

*The Consumer and Family Network (CFN) of North Dakota is an organization of consumers, family members, and other advocacy organizations working to ensure the mental health system is consumer and family driven and is meeting the needs of consumers and family members.*

*CFN members hope to be a voice that educates the public and itself about the stigmas concerning mental illness.*

*CFN members strive to support themselves and push towards whatever form of recovery each member chooses and the right to define it for themselves.*

## **What do CFN Members Do?**

*There are many different opportunities for involvement, depending on each person's interest:*

- ◆ *Being a member who attends the annual conference*
- ◆ *Serving on a planning committee (for the annual conference or other special activity such as the legislative Meet & Greet)*
- ◆ *Taking part in mental health system activities such as a statewide committee on Peer Support services, or giving testimony to a Legislative committee*
- ◆ *Serving on various advocacy organization boards as a CFN representative*
- ◆ *Being a member of the ND Consumer Family Network Council*

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

- ◆ ***How can I join?***  
Mental Health America of ND is the coordinating center for CFN. Call the office at (701) 255-3692 to join or fill out the application included in this brochure.
- ◆ ***Who can be a member?***  
Anyone who is a consumer of mental health services, their family members, and other advocates who support that the system of care should be consumer and family driven.
- ◆ ***Do I need to pay to get to special meetings?***  
No, the CFN has funds to cover expenses for members who take part in committees and conferences.