

## RECOVERY & EMPOWERMENT STATEWIDE CALL: BUILDING BRIDGES TOGETHER!

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Please plan to join on October 24, 2013 for our next Recovery & Empowerment Statewide Call! Our theme this year is "Building Bridges Together." These educational forums place an emphasis on sharing successful tools and strategies for wellness. Additionally, each month we will emphasize different system partners with whom we can join together to strengthen our recovery process. This month's focus is "Building Bridges from Stigma to Informed Advocacy."

Individuals are welcome to dial in from a personal phone or from home. However, if dialing in from an agency or other organization, to help reduce the cost, please gather and dial-in together. Remember to provide the moderator with your name, the agency you are representing (if applicable), and the number of persons listening in from your location.

### **ABOUT THIS MONTH'S CALL:**

**DATE:** October 24, 2013

**TIME:** 10:00am - 11:30am [Note: Please dial in no earlier than 9:45am, per audio-conferencing regulations]

**TOPIC:** Building Bridges from Stigma to Informed Advocacy

**OBJECTIVES:** Participants will learn definitions of stigma and advocacy; how to help others understand mental illnesses; moving past stigma and advocating for yourself; where to find additional information.

**DIAL-IN NUMBER:** **1-800-398-9386**

**ACCESS CODE:** **(None Required)**

**MEETING TITLE:** Recovery & Empowerment Statewide Call

**SPEAKERS:** Pat Hayes, Wayne Beyer and Irene O'Neil

You will be on hold with music until the host opens the conference call. If you have any questions or require additional assistance, please press "0" from your phone during the audio conference.

As a courtesy to others and to improve sound quality, please mute your phone when not speaking.

### **HANDOUTS:**

The following materials for the 10/24/13 Call are attached:

- 1) Informed Advocacy  
(PowerPoint slides in pdf document - 6 slides to a page)
- 2) Evaluation Form
- 3) Sign-In Sheet
- 4) CEU Information

### **ABOUT RECOVERY & EMPOWERMENT CALLS:**

Note: These calls have been held monthly since 2007, and were formerly known as "consumer education and support statewide call-ins."

For all persons living with mental health conditions and receiving mental health services, this call is for you! The call contains specific information relative to consumers of mental health services. This call is uniquely and specifically designed to provide education and support for all consumers of publicly funded mental health services in Illinois.

This is your opportunity to

- o receive information directly from the Division of Mental Health (DMH)
- o ask your questions directly to the DMH
- o express your thoughts, concerns, comments, and suggestions directly to the DMH

### **ABOUT STAFF PARTICIPATION:**

Staff are welcome to listen in as well. However, the primary purpose of the call is to ensure that consumers have an opportunity to receive information, ask questions, and provide input.