



Opioid Impacted Family Support Program (AOIFSP)

Behavioral Health Education and Training Program

Program Goals

The ASPIN Opioid Impacted Family Support Program (AOIFSP) will expand ASPIN's existing para-professional certificate program for Community Health Workers (CHW) by the addition of an Opioid Impacted Family Support certificate. CCHWs will better understand the specific needs of providing services to children whose parents are impacted by opioid use disorders (OUD) and other substance use disorders (SUD), and their family members who are in guardianship roles.

The project will be accomplished with ASPIN and three Community Mental Health Centers: **Centerstone, Four County, and Hamilton Center** who serve the targeted population to where they will recruit CHWs in 10 rural and underserved Indiana counties - **Boone, Brown, Cass, Clark, Hancock, Jackson, Marion, Randolph, Vermillion, & Wayne** - to enter the behavioral health/primary care workforce or continue to college seeking an advanced degree in human services to support families & children who are dealing with OUD/SUD.

About ASPIN

ASPIN, a 501(C) 3 not for profit network, operates four major service lines: behavioral health services, professional training and workforce development, grants management, and health improvement. The mission of ASPIN is to provide innovative educational programs, resource management, program development, and network management in collaboration with all healthcare entities to address health disparities and whole health management.

Paraprofessional Training

How the Program Works:

There are five components to the AOIFSP certification training.

I. **Core CHW Certification**: Students will attend the State of Indiana, Office of Medicaid Policy & Planning (OMPP) certified 40+ hour Certified Community Health Worker (CHW) core online training program.

II. **Opioid Basics for CHWs**: Students will then receive an additional 12+ hours online addictions related training.

III. **Opioid Impacted Family Support**: Students will then receive an additional 6+ hours online opioid impacted family support training.

IV. **Chronic Care Paraprofessional**: Students will then receive an additional 20+ hours online chronic conditionals related training.

V. **Field Placement**: Students will then complete an 8-hour in-person field placement with a Community Mental Health Center, primary care setting, and jail setting OR virtual field placements.

VI. **Apprenticeship**: Students will enter the Department of Labor certified CHW apprentice program for one year. The Project Coordinator will work with the student to seek employment as a CCHW in a high need and high demand area.





Certification Components

I. Community Health Worker

Session One	Session Two	Session Three
1. Introduction to the Online Community Health Worker Course	7. Communication Skills for CHWs	13. An Overview of Motivational Interviewing
2. Core Community Health Worker Skills	8. Practices That Promote Health and Wellness	14. Coaching Consumers for Positive Health Outcomes
3. Ethics and the CHW	9. Physical Health/Chronic Disease Overview	15. Tobacco Treatment Methods
4. Diversity and Cultural Competency in the Workplace	10. Behavioral Health Overview	16. CHWs and Group Facilitation Skills
5. Conflict Management for CHWs	11. Substance Use Disorders	17. Advocacy, Collaboration and Teamwork
6. Technology and the CHW	12. Integrated Care Model	18. COVID-19 and the Role of CHWs
		19. Securing Employment as a CHW

II. Opioid Basics for CHWs

Session Four	Session Five	Session Six
1. The Opioid Epidemic	5. Working with Referrals	9. The Scope of Work for CCHWs
2. Opioid Treatment Options	6. Role of Peer Support	10. Home Visits
3. Addictions Overview: Co-Occurring Disorders and Recovery	7. The Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)	11. The Career Ladder
4. The CCHW Role in MAT & Naloxone	8. Keeping Patients in	12. Wrap Up: and Test Prep

III. Opioid Impacted Family Support

Session Seven	Session Eight	Session Nine
1. Introduction to Working with Families Impacted by Opioid Use Disorder	3. Crisis Response for CHWs	5. Parental Substance Abuse and Child Welfare
2. Adverse Childhood Experiences and Screening, Brief Intervention, and Treatment (SBIRT)	4. Approaches to Supporting Families Affected by OUD and SUD	6. Section Review and Test Preparation

IV. Chronic Care Paraprofessional

Session Four	Session Five	Session Six	Session Seven
1. An Overview of Chronic Health Conditions in Indiana	2. Weight Management: Obesity, Nutrition, and Activity	3. Tobacco Use & Evidence-Based Cessation Methods	4. The Effects of SUD & OUD on Chronic Conditions
5. Diabetes in Indiana & Its Effects on Population Health	6. The Prevalence of Cardiovascular Disease: Causes, Effects, and Prevention	7. Child Health in Indiana—Current Issues & Best Practices	8. COVID and Chronic Conditions

V. Field Placement

Field placements can be completed either virtually or in-person.

VI. Apprenticeship

The one -year paid apprenticeship program will provide in-service training that places paraprofessional trainees in behavioral health-related positions addressing OUD and other SUDs.

Application Information

For specific information regarding the training or application process, please visit:

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