## PEERS



### PEERS PARENT ADVOCATES:

## P Assist Parents or Caregivers

Educate Regarding Child And Parent Rights, Mental Illnesses, Processes of Various Systems, And More

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Empower Parents To Make Decisions And Advocate Effectively For Their Child's Needs To Be Met

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# R

Provide Information About Community Resources

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Support and Encourage Parents

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Provides support and empowerment services to parents/ caregivers navigating the complex system of services for their children with mental/behavioral health needs. **Parent Advocates** work together with parents to assist them in managing mental health issues, school challenges, juvenile justice involvement, the developmental disabilities system, and/or child welfare.

#### Examples of What Parent Advocates Can Do

- Parent Advocates can help parents prepare for IEP meetings
- **Parent Advocates** can support parents during Juvenile Court Hearings
- **Parent Advocates** can help parents understand educational options, services, and supports
- **Parent Advocates** can model effective ways to communicate with professionals
- Parent Advocates can help parents explore their options to make informed decisions

#### Contact Marjorie Cook for more info at 330-203-3848

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