



## Retaining and Growing the Youth Peer Support Workforce

More agencies are seeing the benefits of the youth peer support specialist role, and are working hard to integrate this role within their mental health services. One challenge that many agencies have is mitigating the high level of burnout for youth peer support specialists as well as growing the workforce within their organization and/or community. In this webinar, two experienced youth peer support specialists (and youth peer support specialist supervisors) will discuss concrete strategies for retaining and growing the youth peer support workforce.



### Trainers



#### Caitlin Baird

Caitlin Baird is a Project Manager and Trainer with Pathways RTC at Portland State University. Caitlin has experience working directly with transition-aged youth and young adults as a peer support specialist and as a supervisor for peer support specialists in wraparound and other mental health settings.



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Maria Hermsen-Kritz is a Research Assistant with Pathways RTC at Portland State University. She has experience providing peer support for transition-aged youth, supervising youth peer support specialists, and managing a youth drop-in center program.

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