



MEMBERSHIP PROTOCOLS

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ABSTRACT

The Membership protocol document outlines basic information concerning how the council will recruit, conduct monthly meetings, and general information on running the council.

NSSR Council

Near South Side ROSC Membership Protocols

Overview

Near South side ROSC is a coordinated network of community-based services and supports where the central focus of a is to create an infrastructure, or “systems of care”, with the resources to effectively address the full range of substance use and/or co-occurring disorders within communities.

NSSR Mission: to bring organizations together that provide services for the Recovery Community that will support their growth, safety, and assist in developing a life for those same individuals that promotes happiness, security, and good health.

NSSR Vision: to be a Leader in the Recovery community by helping provide access to supportive services that will increase the overall success for individuals suffering from substance use disorder.

Orientation: Members will be able to attend an orientation session either in person or over zoom. There will be a fixed but flexible orientations time slot Bi-weekly (on Thursdays at 10:30am).

Training in the ROSC framework: All ROSC Members and Non-member volunteers will be educated on the ROSC principles, which is to educate and shed light on substance use and dual diagnosis (Mental Health disorders) in our communities. We encourage all members to attend trainings when offered by the ROSC Council. Training will generally take place on the 4th Tuesday of each month (This date can change but all Council members and non-member volunteers will be notified). This is not mandatory, but education will be a major piece of conquering the stigmas surrounding substance use disorders in our communities.

Adherence to the strategic plan: The NSSR is very focused on adhering to the Goals and objects we have created for NSSR. The current goals are listed below. As a council member you will have access to view the full list which includes the action plan for each Goal.

Goal 1: Increase the awareness of substance use disorder education and services.

Goal 2. Increase Sober Community Events

Goals 3. Increase the knowledge and development of Family Support education

Goal 4. Decrease Stigma in the community

Goal 5. Housing

Goal 6. Employment

Goal 7. Transportation

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Who are our members?

Recovery-focused organizations, community business organizations, workforce development programs, recovery homes, homeless shelters, community centers, supportive services organizations, government entities/decision-makers, police departments, families, individuals in recovery and those interested in learning more about recovery. Members come from various walks of life in the community.

How does one become a member?

The target member is invited to attend a meeting via email or phone call. The potential member will then RSVP to attend the meeting. Upon attending their first meeting, they will learn about the council and our activities. Potential members can determine if they would like to become a member at the first meeting they attend.

Members are encouraged to attend each meeting or send a representative in their stead. Additionally, current members can invite other potential members to attend meetings.

Membership recruitment: We are always actively recruiting and looking for new council members that are in alignment with the goals and objectives of the Statewide ROSC and NSSR. We encourage all of our members to attend monthly meetings and participate in the discussions concerning our efforts in serving the recovery community. We understand that everyone will not become a member, and some will actively participate but due to circumstances that don't permit them to become members as a non-member. Either way we welcome you. We are here to build a coordinated network of community-based services and supports.

When are the ROSC meetings?

Meetings will be the second Tuesday of each month from 10:30am – 11:30am.

What do members do for the ROSC?

Members are expected to participate in monthly meetings that will:

- Assist in establishing a community-based system to fill gaps in services found between providers and across the recovery process.
- Empower people with lived experience to have their voices heard and enhance their connection to the community.
- Plan and participate in training and other activities hosted by the ROSC council.
- Promote multiple pathways to recovery.