

Monthly Member Newsletter

April 16, 2020

COVID-19 resources available

Please visit the [Magellan of Wyoming website](#) to find numerous resources for families and for providers that can help during this pandemic.

Applying for Wyoming Medicaid during COVID-19 pandemic

As the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic continues to affect state residents in many ways, the Wyoming Department of Health is describing the best ways to apply for Wyoming Medicaid and who may be eligible. [Read the article.](#)

Gov. Gordon requests federal disaster declaration for Wyoming

Governor Mark Gordon has submitted a request to President Trump asking for a major disaster declaration for Wyoming. The declaration would allow all 23 of Wyoming's counties and the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Tribes to access funding and services for crucial assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read the article.](#)

Stay home for MyLife

We are very excited to announce the launch of the *Stay Home for MY LIFE Virtual Youth Fest, Thursday, April 16th*. This weekly event will feature *Inspirational speakers, uplifting entertainment and information on a variety of topics important to youth*. Starting April 16th this **free** event will be held every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mountain Time. [Register for the event!](#)

**VIRTUAL
YOUTH
FEST**

**STAY HOME
FOR MY LIFE**

Thursday, April 16, 2020
4-5:30pm Eastern

*Inspirational speakers, uplifting entertainment, fun activities
and information on a variety of topics important to youth.*

An inspiring online event designed for youth and young adults who have experience with mental health, substance use, foster care and/or other challenges.

This Week's Event Features

Jessie May Wolfe, HeartRise Movement, Founder and Wellness Coach
Michael AV Mitchell, Dream True, Motivational Speaker, Rapper & Author
Kelly Davis, Mental Health America, Director of Peer Advocacy
And much more!

Registration is Required for this Free Event

https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QmmIAAsdkQ72XSud1v11mqw

*This Event will be held every Thursday until
"Stay at Home" orders are lifted.*

For more information, contact:
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or visit [Facebook.com/mylifeyouth](https://www.facebook.com/mylifeyouth)



ECHO offers session on supporting youth learning at home

The UW Echo Project is offering a session titled "Supporting Young Children's Learning in the Home During COVID-19 Closures" on Friday April 17, 2020 from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. The session is free and open to all. [Join the session.](#)

Your phone is a scanner?

Did you know there are apps out there that can make your phone scan documents and turn them into PDFs? There is! One app we found can help with individuals with low vision and hearing impairments. [Learn how to make your phone a scanner.](#)

Caregiver Support Group

The next Caregiver Support Group, set for April 22, 2020. We hope you can join us.

These free groups provide a safe place for families and caregivers to talk through their struggles, their successes and to learn from one another. You don't have to be a member of High Fidelity Wraparound to attend these groups. We meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

- Join online at: <https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/707619166>
- Join by phone at: 1-646-558-8656 (toll free) (meeting ID 707 619 166)

These support groups are available to any caregiver, guardian, parent, grandparent, family member, etc. who would like more support!

How to connect with a child after trauma

Sharon Weber, our lead trainer, came across an article written by Beth Tyson on connecting with kids after trauma. The article presented several good tips. [Check it out.](#)

Looking for youth voices

The Wyoming Department of Health is starting a statewide council to bring young adults and their lived experience together to promote success, increased engagement and quality improvement in health programs.

If you know a youth who might be interested in joining, please contact Rachel Barber at the Wyoming Department of Health at rachel.barber@wyo.gov.

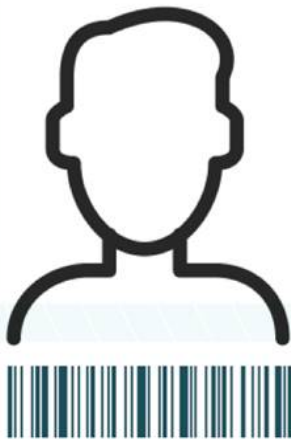
2020 Department of Family Services Stakeholder Survey Available

The Department of Family Services is seeking input from stakeholders. The Department of Family Services hopes to improve Wyoming's child welfare practices. Your participation in the process would be appreciated. Please use the following link: [2020 Stakeholder Survey](#)

Negative traits can be big talents

Have you ever thought about a child's negative traits? Instead of thinking about those traits in a negative way, think about how those traits can really be big talents.

WHAT IF A KID'S MOST ANNOYING TRAIT IS THEIR BIGGEST TALENT IN DISGUISE?



BOSSY
DEFIANT
DEMANDING
FEARFUL
IMPULSIVE
LIAR
LOUD
MANIPULATIVE
MEAN
QUIET
STUBBORN
SENSITIVE

LEADER
DETERMINED
ASSERTIVE
THOUGHTFUL
BOLD
CREATIVE WRITER
CONFIDENT
NEGOTIATOR
POWERFUL
KEEN OBSERVER
PERSISTENT
CARING

JOSH SHIPP

Help us gather your feedback!

The WFI-EZ, our family survey about experiences with High Fidelity Wraparound, has been a focus in agency meetings and monthly provider calls for the past few months. By the end of February, we received over 60 surveys back. Thanks for all your help and we know we can reach the goal of 70 percent as we continue to work together!

[We're accepting youth referrals](#)

Do you know a young person age 4 to 20 who would benefit from additional support? Would it make a difference if they could be more successful at home, school and in their community?

Wyoming's High Fidelity Wraparound program can help if:

- A free program makes sense for the youth and their family.
- Additional mental health or behavior support is needed.
- Youth who currently are, or could be, Medicaid eligible.
- Youth is at risk for being placed out of their home in hospital or detention.

Youth and their care givers would benefit from having a team of support. Learn more by completing our [Referral Form](#) or visiting our [website](#).

Our program is growing

If you have ever wanted to help youth with complex mental health or behavioral health concerns, you can become a provider by visiting our [Become a Provider](#) page. We are always looking for more experienced and caring people to join forces with us to meet the needs of youth across Wyoming. Do you know anyone who would be great at this? Refer them to work with us.