9 Advocacy Questions

Policy 101

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1. What do we want? (GOALS)

Getting a minor consent law passed.

There is a lot of hype around this goal

Repeal the parental consent law – WHITNEY BUNTS

Building a stronger team of youth advocates

Needs to be youth centric

2. Who can give it to us? (AUDIENCES; KEY PLAYERS; or POWER-HOLDERS)

Legislators

Jenn Dailey-Provost – ANONYMOUS

Derek Kitchen – ANONYMOUS

Angela Romero – WHITNEY BUNTS

Luz Escamilla – WHITNEY BUNTS

'steve elison' from Layton I don't know the exact name. – ANONYMOUS

Outside of legislators: stakeholders on the medical side such as CEOs of hospitals need to be on board – ANONYMOUS

3. What do they need to hear? (MESSAGES)

Stories of lived experiences

Ex. Conversion Therapy being extracted

Documented experience of adversity/negative experiences – ANONYMOUS

Evidence based – ANONYMOUS

Family advocates such as parents - ANONYMOUS

4. Who do they need to hear it from? (MESSENGERS)

Family advocates

Social Workers – ANONYMOUS

Young people with lived experiences

Appeals from someone from the religious community in Utah. – ANONYMOUS

Mothers with lived experience. - ANONYMOUS

5. How can we get them to hear it? (DELIVERY)

Appealing to the idea that this law will save children

Tough love is the mindset of mormons - WHITNEY BUNTS

Need to speak mormonism

Most of the legislators are white, male, and mormon

Appeal of Right of Youth to "Free Agency" in regards to their care – ANONYMOUS

Agency and accountability - WHITNEY BUNTS

Lived experience mixed data - ANONYMOUS

6. What do we have? (RESOURCES)

Other state Laws

find sample legislation

Already done, will send the language to Youth advocates

National Disability law center

Autistic Advocacy Group

Interesting in helping with mental health and substance use advocacy

YUTAC

young people with some advocacy experience

7. What do we need to develop? (GAPS)

Counter lobbyist of for profit Treatment centers

Creating relationships with legislators

Just have someone in the government to be able to be advocacy

Finding allies to champion this issue

University of Utah ASUU Representatives could coordinate with University Neuropsychiatric Institute – ANONYMOUS

Resident centers that are accepting minors consent – WHITNEY BUNTS

There needs to be a clear understanding of where funding will come from

8. How do we begin? (FIRST STEPS)

Add Comments to think about first steps

9. How do we tell if it's working? (EVALUATION)

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