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SERVICE USER RESEARCH & ETHICS SUBCOMMITTEE

The **Service User Research & Ethics subcommittee** (SURE) is a subcommittee of the CAMH Collaborative Learning College (CLC). In keeping with the importance of service user self-determination, accessible learning, employment equity, the purpose of this subcommittee is to ensure that service user perspectives are valued and included at all levels of the CAMH Collaborative Learning College.

In the last two years, the SURE subcommittee has been working on a number of projects ranging from input into courses and evaluation to guidelines for research projects. SURE is an active working group meeting once a month.



WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING TO RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER TO SUPPORT OUR WORK.

YOU WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ✚ Collaborating with the SURE subcommittee to develop a work plan, consolidate our current materials, and share SURE work;
- ✚ Assisting with some outreach and research as required;
- ✚ Developing a timeline and goals associated with your work;
- ✚ Adhering to the mandate of the SURE subcommittee and acting as a liaison to the CLC Working Group;
- ✚ Writing, reviewing, and copy-editing SURE subcommittee materials.

IDEALLY YOU ARE YOU SOMEONE WHO:

- ✚ Has excellent writing skills;
- ✚ Has some familiarity with the history, activism, and scholarship of mental health service users (e.g., mad studies, harm reduction, psychiatric survivor frameworks);
- ✚ Is a critical thinker and are familiar with anti-oppression and equity frameworks;
- ✚ Has strong organizational skills;
- ✚ Is familiar with recovery colleges or can learn about them;
- ✚ Is flexible and able to adapt to changing priorities;
- ✚ Can work independently and within groups;
- ✚ Can be comfortable challenging and critiquing the dominance of the bio-medical model?

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- ✚ Learning more about social justice, anti-oppression, equity;
- ✚ Opportunities for hands-on learning, professional development skills;
- ✚ Getting connected to a group of service users who are committed to centring the knowledge and scholarship of people with lived experience of mental health and addiction systems;
- ✚ Money! The role is supported by an honorarium of \$30/hour for the work (hours may vary per month).

GET IN TOUCH!

Interested individuals are invited to submit the following for consideration:

- ✚ A resume or CV
- ✚ One page document explaining:
 - The experience/skills/perspectives you have that would contribute to the SURE subcommittee;
 - How being part of the SURE subcommittee would impact you personally;
 - What skills you are hoping to develop.

We recognize that there is no “one size fits all” term to encompass those with lived experience of mental health issues and addictions. Whether you identify as a service user, user/survivor, patient, ex-patient, Mad, neurodivergent, or something else altogether, we would love to hear from you! You do not need to have a formal diagnosis to apply. Individuals from marginalized and minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

REVIEW PROCESS

Submissions will be reviewed by a subset of current committee members and we will consider:

- ✚ Different types of experience and expertise (e.g., personal, professional, community, academic)
- ✚ Demonstration of skills/values covered in this call including: critical thinking and analysis, attention to health equity and anti-oppression approaches, written communication skills, familiarity with/passion for service user issues.
- ✚ Prioritizing individuals from diversely situated identity groups

All applications must be emailed with the subject heading **Service User Research & Ethics subcommittee** to Lucy Costa: lucy.costa@camh.ca

PLEASE SEND ALL EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST BY JUNE 30th 2022

*The CAMH Collaborative Learning College (CLC) is a non-clinical based education and training program offered to people who have experienced mental health and/or addiction challenges.