



Coordinated Children's
Services Initiative

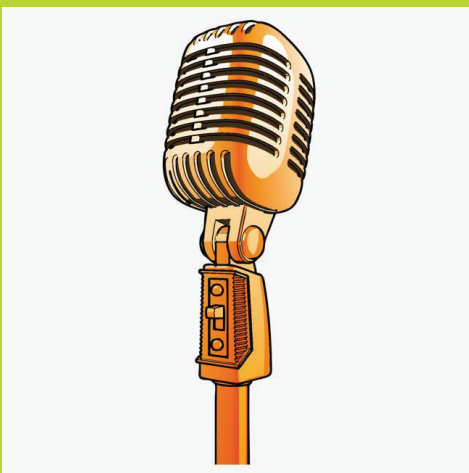
YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (YAC)

**Do you live with mental and
emotional challenges?**

**Have you had experience with the
child welfare or juvenile justice
systems?**

**Do you feel heard by the adults at
your school, social worker & doctor's
offices, in your neighborhood?**

**Are you passionate about helping
other youth?**



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

The CCSI YAC is formed FOR YOUTH, BY YOUTH for the purpose of giving feedback, announcing barriers, and strategic problem solving from a youth point of view, as those in mental health treatment and recovery and other youth-serving systems. The YAC will work in close collaboration with city & state leaders and community supporters to improve the life and situations faced as youth (aged 16 to 25) in the mental & emotional health system.



Benefits of membership:

- **Voice your issues and concerns!**
- **Food & stipend (\$) every meeting**
- **Build relationships with youth from all across the 5 boroughs**
- **Access to leaders in the state and NYC mental health and other youth systems directly through the Citywide Oversight Committee (COC) and Borough Based Councils (BBCs)**
- **Gain advocacy skills**
 - ◆ **Brainstorm and create solutions**
 - ◆ **Gain community organizing skills**
- **Leadership training**
- **Resume builder**

Interested?

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