## "I Decided to Work with the System"

Enhancing Social Support Networks of Youth in Care

Fall 2017 Public Child Welfare Dialogue

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Friday, Sep. 15

10:00am—12:00pm Union South, Check TITU





.2 CEUs Offered

Over the last several years, youth in foster care throughout the state of Oregon have shared their experiences and perspectives on existing and needed services. In this most recent study, 22 youth told stories detailing repeated social support network disruption. While existing services often include youth voice and perspectives, youth participation is rarely included in the development of services, especially from the ground up. How can youth collaboration with child welfare systems support the stability and enhancement of social support networks? What does this mean for youth work and practice and is it doable?

The Public Child Welfare Training Program operates with federal funds made available through Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, which provides specified financial support for students committed to a career in public child welfare. Contact Russ Portier (portier@wisc.edu) with any questions.

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