

# FIYSN Youth & Family Communications Advisories

## Recruitment Info



Hey there! Thank you for your interest!

FIYSN is recruiting for passionate young people (12-29yo) and families/caregivers to join an exciting opportunity to shape communications work across the country!

We are kick-starting separate youth-led and family-led advisories. These advisories will provide their thoughts, feedback, and advice on work geared towards communications and marketing strategies for integrated youth services. For more information, please read below.

## What is FIYSN?

The **Federation of Integrated Youth Services Networks** (FIYSN or “The Federation”) is a community where member share experiences, challenges, and ideas about building and supporting networks of IYS centres/hubs. FIYSN is a network of networks!

FIYSN has members from all **13 provinces and territories** and the group’s vision is to be leaders in improving young people’s access to quality health and social services across the country. A small team called the FIYSN Secretariat supports this network with coordination, logistics and scheduling.



# FIYSN Youth and Family Communication Advisories

Currently, a need of FIYSN members is to build public awareness of IYS centres/hubs and how to access them.

Working alongside key partners, the FIYSN Youth and Family Communications Advisories will support the creation of a communications strategy.

The advisories will offer an opportunity:

- For youth and family members to engage, inform and direct the communications strategy and supporting work to ultimately increase public awareness of IYS and IYS centres / hubs in their province or territory and across the country.
- For youth and family members to learn more about the various IYS initiatives and to connect with one another.



## **For the FIYSN Youth Communications Advisory:**

We are seeking up to 2 young people (12-29yo) from each province and territory to join the advisory.

## **For the FIYSN Family Communications Advisory,**

We are seeking up to 1 family member from each province and territory to join the advisory.



We strongly encourage applications from individuals with the following backgrounds and experiences to apply:

- Indigenous representation: First Nations, Inuit and Métis
- Applicants from diverse backgrounds such as immigrant, refugee, newcomers, racialized communities, and youth facing intersecting barriers to care
- Applicants with various educational & linguistic backgrounds
- Applicants who identify as 2SLGBTQ+
- Applicants living with a disability/disabilities

Additional qualities we are seeking in interested applicants:

- Strong communication skills, both written and verbal
- Ability and experience working with a diverse group of peers
- Experience in advocacy, public speaking and/or community engagement
- Interest in improving health and social services for youth
- Understanding & some flexibility in scheduling for meetings as the committee will be made up of young people from coast to coast to coast (many time zones!)
- Access to technology (laptop/computer/phone) to attend virtual meetings

## Term

The advisories will last for 4 months, from approximately the end of July 2024 to the end of November 2024.

## Time Commitment & Meeting Structure

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Here is a breakdown of the hours:

- 1-2 hours per month Zoom meetings, including: engagement sessions, strategy presentations, etc.
- 2-3 hours per month work done on your own time, including: reviewing materials, online surveys, making suggestions on various resources and more.

## Honoraria

Advisory members will receive \$40/hour honoraria in recognition of their valuable time and expertise.

## Application Process

Once all applications are received, a committee of FIYSN engagement members & FIYSN Secretariat members will:

- Review the applications
  - If needed, reach out to applicants with any follow up questions
- Notify successful and unsuccessful applicants by **Friday July 19th** (latest).

If this sounds like an opportunity you are interested in, please complete and submit the application form to [youthhubs@unitedwaywinnipeg.ca](mailto:youthhubs@unitedwaywinnipeg.ca) by Monday July 8th.

