



Second Wind Fund

September Newsletter

Hello Providers!

We've made it to September, which is **Suicide Prevention Month** and we are so thankful you are here with us! It cannot be said enough how important the work is that each of you do every day, even more so in the midst of the chaos that a global pandemic brings. We at Second Wind Fund are so incredibly grateful for your partnership, especially as schools begin this school year, different than ever before, and youth who have spent the summers completely out of their norm have the chance to access the resources they may need. Within this newsletter, we offer some resourcing for you and a few updates to pay attention to as SWF continues to adapt to our changing environment as well!



Providers Updates Needed!

As previously mentioned during the month of August, our program department sent out our New Referral Form to our active QRS network. With the Referral Form, we asked for updated contact information from any QRS, and now we have the same ask for you! Please be on the lookout in your inbox for a [SWF Provider Updates Request](#), which will help verify that we have all of your most recent contact information, specialties, and most importantly, your availability to see kiddos!

REMINDER:

We kindly ask that you keep us informed if you are able to take on new clients! It is still our policy that you as providers call back a prospective kiddo within 48 hours, and if you and the family decide to move forward with treatment, that you get the kiddo in for services within one week.

Our Online Referral Form has launched!

As we have mentioned in past months, there are technology updates to come, and finally one is here! In hopes of better supporting youth and coordinating with our QRS network, we now have an online referral form that we launched to over 250 Qualified Referral Sources throughout the state this past month. This form now lives on our website, and follows the same format as our previous referral calls to ensure that the youth who seek services with SWF receive the same tailored referral experience.

September is Suicide Prevention Month, here are some resources to support your work!

Counseling on Access to Lethal Means

- [This course](#) is about how to reduce access to the methods people use to kill themselves. It covers who needs lethal means counseling and how to work with people at risk for suicide—and their families—to reduce access.

Treating Suicidal Patients During COVID-19

- The Suicide Prevention Resource Center has put together a [three part webinar series](#) to support providers to
 - Initiate and Maintain Remote Contact
 - Assess Suicide Risk
 - and Develop a Safety Plan Remotely
- This series also includes access to an updated screening supported by NIMH: [COVID-19: Youth Suicide Risk Screening Pathway](#)

Treating & Preventing Suicide: A Conversation with the Experts

- Access a completed recording of a deep dive into therapeutic assessment strategies, working with high risk populations, and a Q&A by registering with Pesi [here!](#)



Second Wind Fund's annual Walk/Run is happening next month, virtually!

Second Wind Fund is hosting a virtual Walk/Run event between October 3-12 to help raise funds for our program! All of our providers are welcome to participate! You can register and learn more by clicking the link below.

[Second Wind Fund VIRTUAL Walk/Run](#)

This newsletter contained some updates, new information, and might have inspired some questions. Please make sure to reach out to us with any questions. We continue to be here for you! We don't know what the coming months will bring during this pandemic, but what can be said for sure is that the Second Wind Fund community stands together. We are so grateful to be a part of this community and among such supportive people! As a reminder, the Program Department will be down one team member due to maternity leave but we will still be up and operational and Mary will be here to continue to provide support.

With Gratitude,
Kimberlee and Mary



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