**DWIHN Mental Health Youth Council**

**Mission**

The Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network’s Mental Health Youth Council (MHYC) is comprised of Wayne County high school students who are working to fill gaps in traditional mental health services in their communities and address mental healthcare disparities that they have experienced firsthand in education, housing, foster care, addiction/recovery, and work to advocate for change with state-level policy makers.

**Eligibility**

* Must be a resident of Wayne County
* Must be enrolled as a high school student in Wayne County (grades 9-12)
* Must have a current cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher

**Composition of Mental Health Youth Council and Meeting Requirements**

* DWIHN is looking for high school students, teen mental health advocates and other youth throughout Wayne County.
* Students selected to serve on the MHYC will be compensated $50 for every meeting attended.
* Students must be willing to participate in MHYC bi-monthly meetings via Zoom and quarterly meetings in person.

**Selection Process**

* Submit a video answering each of the questions via the application link below:

1. How can young people effectively advocate for mental health awareness and support in their communities?

2. What are some ways that adults can be more supportive of young people who are struggling with mental health challenges?

3. Please share a personal experience of a difficult situation you faced related to mental health, and how you overcame it?

4. What did you learn from that experience, and how has it shaped your perspective on mental health advocacy?

**Application Submission Instructions**

* Apply via the SparkHire link below
* State your name, age, school, and grade
* Please film your video in a well-lit area and in landscape mode (Horizontal)
* Please answer each of the 4 questions on the application
* Include an official transcript for your most recent academic term (minimum GPA 2.5)
* Include a letter of reference/recommendation
* Include any extracurricular activities

**Apply Now at:** [**https://hire.li/bm\_kVKaT-D2BurM\_4f863**](https://hire.li/bm_kVKaT-D2BurM_4f863)

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