

## Qualifications for the CSAA Board

These are the placement and qualification parameters for nominees being sought for the CSAA Board of Directors.

1. Attempt Geographical and Demographic representation
2. Persons with a working understanding of mental health needs of Children and/or Adults living with a mental illness, or with a co-occurring substance abuse disorder.
3. Persons with financial and/or management experience.
4. One *Appointed Representative* form each Local Advisory Council:
  - Bozeman
  - Livingston
  - Great Falls
  - Helena
  - Havre
  - Browning
  - Fort Belknap (Ti Nii Ee I In Kiin To Live Strongly)

5. At least 51% of Directors must be persons living with mental illness or family members of persons living with mental illness. Directors may simultaneously fill several status requirements. For example, a person may be a family member of a person living with mental illness, a veteran with PTSD and member of a Local Advisory Council.

6. The remaining directors may be selected from persons representing the following stakeholder communities:

Native American Tribal Members---Peer Support---Hospital and Medical Centers---Criminal Justice System including Sheriff Department,, Detention Officers, County Attorney, Court Services--- County Commissioner---Adult Mental Health Providers---Children's Mental Health Providers---Veterans---Members of Local Advisory Councils---Vocation Rehabilitation---Advocacy Groups---Alcohol and Substance Abuse Providers.

Board members are expected to attend monthly meetings of the board and at least one annual meetings of the Congress. These meetings usually take place the fourth Friday of the month in Helena from 10-3. Board terms may be staggered between 1-4 years. Approved travel, lodging, food and babysitting are reimbursable.