

Montgomery County CSP Co-Chair Election Nomination: 2025 – 2026

The Montgomery County CSP Committee is planning to have elections for the Executive Board Committee Co-Chairs, Sub-Committee Co-Chairs and Treasurer, with nominations to be finalized at the **July** meeting. A few days after that meeting, a ballot will be emailed and mailed out to our mailing list, which can be sent back before the August meeting. People will also be able to vote at the September meeting. People may nominate themselves or someone else. The current co-chairs will confirm that people who are nominated accept the nomination. Each person will be asked to write a short paragraph about themselves and their experience to go on the ballot.

The three co-chairs of the committee each represent a different stakeholder group. Below is a description of each stakeholder group borrowed from the CSP Regional Committee:

Consumer – a person with the experience of living with a serious and/or ongoing mental health diagnosis, which has led them to find a path to recovery with support from their community.

Family Member – a person who has been a primary support for a family member or other close relationship who has a serious and/or ongoing mental health diagnosis.

Provider – a person who has, or is pursuing a career as a mental health services provider, including multiple years of formal education or experience in a human services or medical field.

Each person running for co-chair will identify which stakeholder group they are representing.

The current Sub-committees of the CSP committee are as follows (other committees and workgroups may form as needed):

Advocacy Sub-committee - Works on legislative, policy, communication, budget, voter education and other issues related to mental health services in the county, statewide and at the federal level when relevant. At the direction of the CSP Committee, the Advocacy Subcommittee gathers information on issues, plans advocacy events and creates a monthly newsletter to provide information to the stakeholder network as well as the community at large about the work of CSP. The newsletter also provides updates on new and changing mental health services provided in Montgomery County.

Social Sub-committee – Works on facilitating opportunities for people in the CSP community to be more involved in the Montgomery County community. This includes implementing the Community Connections grants, which provide funding for people to participate in a variety of activities. The committee also implements transportation grants that provide gas cards and SEPTA day passes to CSP community members.

Conference Sub-committee – The conference subcommittee will plan and fundraise for the annual Montgomery County CSP Conference.

The duties of each position are as follows:

A. Co-Chairs

1. Each co-chair rotates leading meetings of the Montgomery County CSP Committee and Executive Board.
2. Work with the entire Executive Committee to set the agenda for each meeting.
3. Will perform correspondence functions on behalf of the Committee, as determined by the Committee.

B. Treasurer:

1. Works with our fiduciary liaison to maintain our budget.
2. Submits written and verbal financial reports each month (in partnership with the fiduciary liaison).

C. Subcommittee Co-Chair

1. Leads the subcommittee meeting, which is held before the regular CSP meeting each month.
2. Organizes volunteers to do any subcommittee work that needs to be done each month between meetings.
3. Reports to the CSP committee about the activities of the subcommittee, brings issues that need the feedback of the entire committee to the committee.

D. The Qualifications for the Executive Board (Co-chairs and Treasurer) are:

- a. Familiarity with the CSP and Recovery Principles
- b. Interest in Serving
- c. Ability to fulfill time requirements
- d. Regular monthly attendance at CSP meetings