

## **State Staff Expectations for the SAPTA Advisory Board**

1. The eyes and ears on the ground level to keep us informed of what the service gaps are, and what we can do as a State to help.
2. Partner with us when looking at new grant opportunities.
3. Advise us on potential policy changes.
4. Help us implement a lead from the middle model where we work together using information from the top down, and the ground up where we meet in the middle and achieve optimal outcomes together.
5. Ask us the tough questions that need to be asked. Serve as the voice for the consumers from both the agency level, and client level.
6. Help us distribute materials back to the public as needed.
7. Be good public relations people on our behalf letting them know the State truly wants to serve their best interests and is listening actively.
8. Utilize the meeting as a safe and respectful place to address true concerns and work together to find feasible solutions when possible.