

Professional Learning Platform & Program Development Overview

<i>Mission</i>	To create a collaborative professional learning network where both educators and youth workers can use a common language, learn best practices and further develop skills. The network will increase the quantity and quality of professional learning opportunities, ultimately increasing the quality of expanded learning in Tulsa.
<i>Definition of Data & Impact</i>	Professional Learning includes ongoing opportunities that are focused, sustained, and aligned to participants' needs. Professional learning, then, is not an event. Rather, professional learning are opportunities for learners to participate in ongoing development through learning that is connected to their practice and allows for collaboration and reflection. (Based upon a definition for Atlanta Public Schools)

Strategic Direction

- Design self-assessment questionnaire to collect information on what professional learning opportunities program providers currently offer and what professional learning they need.
- Create a common training template and slide deck to use within the network to ensure alignment and consistency.
- Develop a Youth Development onboarding process that includes all the baseline information youth workers should know, understand, and be able to implement in their work. Develop more youth worker trainings, expanding professional development offerings.
- Work with NRCYS to create a certification process for OST youth workers.

18-Month Timeline

2018 (Q3/Q4)	2019 (Q1/Q2)	2019 (Q3/Q4)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Survey partners to catalogue existing youth worker professional learning ● Create common training template for partners use ● Train staff to lead YPQI-aligned PD w/ Tulsa teams ● Define youth-development certification with Nat'l Resource Center for Youth Services (NRCYS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launch initial citywide PD network, using common training template ● Provide first YPQI-aligned method modules ● Continue development of youth-development certification with NRCYS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expand citywide PD network ● Train more partners to lead YPQI trainings ● Launch youth-development certification program