

## Support Groups

Peer groups provide a forum for problem solving, brainstorming, sharing of concerns, successes, and ways to address issues individually and collectively. Visit our website at [www.thewholeperson.org](http://www.thewholeperson.org) for more information about each of these groups, meeting dates, locations and contact information.

### Mental Health Peer Mentoring Group

*Support for anyone with a physical, cognitive, or mental health disability.*

Join your peers to share information and successful techniques addressing the needs and challenges that you face.

**Meets:** Twice a month, 1st/3rd Tuesday  
**Time:** 5:30 - 7:30 pm  
**Location:** TWP, Community Room  
**Contact:** Letiah Fraser; [lfraser@thewholeperson.org](mailto:lfraser@thewholeperson.org)

### Deaf Peer Social and Support Group

*A peer group for those who are deaf or hard of hearing.*

Come join deaf peers in a group environment for fellowship and resource sharing.

**Meets:** As announced every quarter  
**Time:** 1:00-3:00 pm  
**Location:** TWP, Youth Room  
**Contact:** Clark Corogenes; 816-527-8334 (VP)  
[ccorogenes@thewholeperson.org](mailto:ccorogenes@thewholeperson.org)  
Micki Keck; 913-227-4298 (VP)  
[mkeck@thewholeperson.org](mailto:mkeck@thewholeperson.org)

### Life with SCI/D

*Connecting individuals with Spinal Cord Injuries or Related Disabilities to each other and the resources they need.*

Open to individuals with spinal cord injuries or related disabilities. Participants under the age of 18 will need a parent/guardian present. In partnership with Mid America Rehabilitation Hospital and Greater Kansas City Spinal Cord Association.

**Meets:** Varies each month  
**Time:** Varies by month  
**Location:** Various, depending on host group  
**Contact:** Lea Klepees; [lklepees@thewholeperson.org](mailto:lklepees@thewholeperson.org)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TWPSCIgroup/>

### Blindness Low Vision Experience

*Opportunities to achieve greater independence and access to community through outdoor activities, art and cultural events.*

**Contact:** Sheila Styron; [sstyron@thewholeperson.org](mailto:sstyron@thewholeperson.org)

### Brain Injury Peer Support Group

*Connecting individuals with brain injuries to each other and the resources they need.*

For individuals, 17 and older, who have had a brain injury from an accident, stroke, tumor, aneurism or seizure disorder, and are seeking to connect with others who are going through the same experiences.

**Meets:** Once a month, 2nd Thursday  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:30 pm  
**Location:** TWP, Community Room  
**Contact:** Letiah Fraser; [lfraser@thewholeperson.org](mailto:lfraser@thewholeperson.org)

### Consumer Advocacy Group

*An advocacy group for individuals with disabilities and their PCAs to participate in advocacy activities.*

A group created to empower individuals with disabilities and their PCAs to participate in advocacy activities like voter registration, candidate forums, and legislative days.

**Meets:** Once a month, 4th Tuesday  
**Time:** 1:00 - 3:00 pm  
**Location:** TWP, Community Room  
**Contact:** Michael Riley; [mriley@thewholeperson.org](mailto:mriley@thewholeperson.org)

### TWP Getting Social

*A social group open to all people with disabilities, their PCAs, family, friends, and other service providers.*

**Meets:** Once a month, 1st Friday  
**Time:** 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
**Location:** TWP, Community Room  
**Contact:** Meg Ward; [mward@thewholeperson.org](mailto:mward@thewholeperson.org)