

Behind QPI

System Transformation

Excellent Parenting & Meaningful Relationships

Consistent excellent parenting and meaningful relationships are the most important services we can provide to children and youth in foster care. Every policy, practice action, and statement the system adopts should strengthen parenting skills and relationships.



Lived Experience Leadership

The individuals most affected by policies and practices are in the best position to design and implement change so that systems ensure excellent parenting and meaningful relationships for children who enter their care.

Research Driven

Research shows that all children placed in out-of-home care need high-quality parenting and positive relationships to thrive and recover from abuse, neglect, and other trauma. Unfortunately, this research is often overlooked or ignored in designing policy and practice in child welfare systems.



IMPACT

I love working with other youth who can relate with some of the things I've been through and still am going through. I love working with people who I can't relate to at all. It's not just about ourselves. It's about the impact of other youth and their experiences in life also. ~Mya, QPI-MN Youth Leader

*This work can be intense and isolating, so it's a relief to have QPI identify and focus our agency on allies in the child welfare world who value quality parenting—very affirming and energizing!
~ Ruth, Dakota County Foster Care Supervisor*

*QPI helped build a strong relationship with the foster parents for my kids and me. We are still in each other's lives today.
~Mikala, QPI Birth Parent Champion*