

Dear SC department of mental health  
and State Director John H. Magill,  
& Governor Nicki Haley;

My name is Heather Endicott and  
I am a current resident of SC.  
I received my Bachelor's degree in Studio  
Art from Columbia College in December  
of 2013. I am currently in the process  
of applying to graduate programs in  
and out of state.

As a consumer of the SC DMH system,  
I wanted to advocate ~~and~~ an idea  
and have ~~questions / concerns~~ addressing  
this idea and issue.

The state of Georgia department of  
Mental Health has a center called  
the Peer support and Wellness center.

The Peer support and wellness center  
is part of Georgia's mental health  
state system.

It has locations in Decatur, White  
County, Bartow County, Colquitt  
County, and Henry County, Georgia.

As a previous consumer of the SC mental health system, I would like to support the creation of a similar peer support, wellness, and respite center in South Carolina.

I only have a Bachelor's degree currently, and am not a law-maker but I am interested in supporting the creation of a similar branch of the South Carolina Mental Health System, similar to Georgia's Peer support and wellness center. Specifically, the center in Decatur, Georgia.

A similar wellness center in South Carolina would sustain and provide jobs for mental health professionals. It would also allow consumers of the SC Mental Health system to have more choice in their treatment.

I would like to ask for a reply concerning the creation of such a wellness center, in South Carolina.

Thank you,

Heather Endicott

Post Script

Both my mother and I were born and currently live in SC, Orangeburg specifically. We are both consumers of the DMH. I would love to see the creation of a wellness center in my mother's lifetime in SC as she is sixty-one years of age.