## **Patient Advisors in Team Meetings**

- Be a full member of the team: your perspective and experience are important – share them
- Advise us if we are using language or acronyms that you don't know. Each organization has abbreviations that can be confusing. Often, we don't know we are using "shorthand"
- Ask questions and encourage us to think about the situation from the patient/family perspective
- If you are confused or things are moving too quickly, please let us know. In group meetings, we rely on all team members to speak up
- Use your experience as a reality check as we discuss new ways of doing work
- Think broadly about others in the community and different perspectives... how might the conversation/decisions impact them?
- Call ahead if you will be unable to attend a meeting
- Share with the Team Leaders and/or Quality Director what support or resources you will need to be an effective member of the team