Institute for Person-Centered Care at St. Ambrose University FAQs

What is Person-Centered Care?

Person-centered care places individuals and their families at the center of the healthcare process, making them equal partners with providers. Elements of person-centered care include collaborative decision-making among an inter-professional, multi-disciplinary team of health and human service professionals and the patient and family. These decisions will be driven by the patient's values and preferences.

What is the Institute's Mission?

The Institute for Person-Centered Care will allow St. Ambrose University to be an incubator for person-centered care thought leadership, practice, and research. The Institute is well placed at St. Ambrose University because it reinforces the University's commitment to social justice, health equity, and action/service.

What are the Institute's Goals?

Reinforcing that individuals are at the center of care, we will work with regional and national leaders to emphasize the following:

- **Workforce Development**: To strengthen the workforce in health and human services.
- **Continuing Education**: To provide opportunities for professional development on person-centered care related to and going beyond health and human services (e.g. Health Communication, Knowledge Management, and Informatics).
- **Implementation Science:** To advance the understanding of person-centered care through developing and evaluating innovative models to add to the PCC evidence base.

What is Next for The IPCC?

The Institute for Person-Centered Care at St. Ambrose is planning a Person-Centered Care Conference for May 30-June 1 on the SAU campus. We will announce a call for abstracts in November 2017 to solicit innovative Person-Centered Care practices, programs, research, policy, and theory to be presented at the Conference.

Learn more about Institute for Person-Centered Care and finding reading resources about person-centered care at **sau.edu/ipcc**