

Training Eligibility Requirements for P-RSS

Peer Recovery Support Specialist

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The following requirements must be met in order to be eligible to apply for the Peer Recovery Support Specialist training.

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Identify as a person in recovery from substance use disorder and/or co-occurring disorders
- Have at least (1) ongoing and continuous year in recovery from substance use disorder and/or co-occurring disorders
- Provide two (2) letters of reference from individuals who have been involved in your recovery process
- Have the ability to pass a background check for purposes of employment
 - *A criminal history does not necessarily disqualify an applicant. If you have questions about the background check and/or waiver request process please contact us.*
- Have a high school diploma, GED, or higher education and the ability to provide documentation of your education when applying for certification
- Be willing to share your experience with substance use disorder and recovery with coworkers and peers
- Have a genuine desire and commitment to help others with their own recovery
- Feel comfortable reading, writing, and using a computer
- Be willing to work productively as a team member with other behavioral health provider staff, medical provider staff and/or law enforcement/corrections staff.
- Ability to access reliable transportation for attending work and meeting with and/or transporting clients in the community
- Agree to maintain a minimum of (2) clinical supervision sessions per month totaling at least (2) hours of documented clinical supervision.
- Not create your own private practice.
- Read and agree to abide by the [National Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist Code of Ethics](#)