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**5122-29-15.1**      **Certified peer recovery service provider.**

(A) A “certified peer recovery service provider” is an individual who has self-identified as being in recovery from a mental illness or substance use disorder, and has been certified through the department.

Peer recovery services provider certification requires the completion of the following requirements:

- (1) A sixteen hour on-line training administered by the department;
- (2) Submission of proof of a minimum of forty hours of peer service delivery training or three equivalent years formal experience in peer service delivery;
- (3) Passing the department peer recovery supporter exam;
- (4) Submission of a signed certified peer recovery supporter pledge established by the department;
- (5) The submission of a completed application; and,
- (6) The results of a bureau of criminal identification and investigation criminal records check conducted within thirty days prior to submission.

Certified peer recovery supporters may have an identified specialty of mental health or addiction based upon their personal recovery experience.

(B) Certified peer recovery service providers shall be certified for a period of two years from the date of issuance of certification by the department.

(C) Peer recovery service provider certification may be renewed by submission to the department of:

- (1) A renewal application;
- (2) Proof of thirty hours of continuing education credits; and,
- (3) The results of a bureau of criminal identification and investigation criminal records check conducted within thirty days prior to submission.

Renewal of certified peer recovery service provider status is dependent on all materials being completed and submitted to the department. Renewal of certification is for two years from the date of the expiration of previous certification or the completion of the review of renewal materials, whichever is later.

(D) Peer recovery service provider certification may be denied, not renewed, or revoked for any of the following:

- (1) A failure to provide peer recovery services in accordance with the standards set forth in this rule.
- (2) A failure to submit a complete certification or renewal application.
- (3) A failure to complete any of the requirements for certification or renewal.
- (4) The department determines that the certified peer recovery supporter pledge has been violated.
- (5) The individual is included in one of the following databases:

(a) The sex offender and child-victim offender database established pursuant to division (A)(11) of

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section 2950.13 of the Revised Code (available at <http://www.icrimewatch.net/index.php?AgencyID=55149&disc=>);

(b) The database of incarcerated and supervised offenders established pursuant to section 5120.66 of the Revised Code (available at <http://www.drc.ohio.gov/OffenderSearch/Search.aspx>).

(6) The individual shall have a criminal records check that is free from any convictions, including release from all sanctions, for three years prior to application.

Except that individuals with an offense listed in paragraph (I) of this rule shall be permanently excluded from certification and shall not be eligible for a waiver.

(7) The individual has a negative finding from the department conflict of interest review committee.

(E) The denial of an application for certification or renewal, or the revocation of certification is subject to appeal under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(F) Continuing education shall be based on individual needs, skill level, and interest of the individual; and shall address, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An understanding of systems care, such as natural support systems, entitlements and benefits, inter and intra-agency systems of care, crisis response systems, medications, culture, trauma informed care, diversity competence, and intent of peer recovery services

(2) Characteristics of populations to be served such as symptoms, medications, culture, age, gender, sexual orientation, and human development

(G) Any individual disqualified from certification due to a criminal offense in paragraph (D) of this rule may request a waiver of that disqualification by submission of a waiver request form. The waiver form shall set forth how the individual has incorporated the offense into their recovery. If a waiver is granted for an individual, the waiver is only for those offenses listed on the waiver and is not subject to review by the department upon the individual's certification renewal.

(H) Applications for certification and renewal, and all accompanying materials, are subject to public records requests pursuant to chapter 149. of the Revised Code; however the department shall not use the applications for any purpose other than determining certification status and shall be kept confidential unless disclosure is required by state or federal law.

-(I) Disqualifying offenses.

-(1) 2903.01 (aggravated murder);

-(2) 2903.15 (permitting child abuse);

-(3) 2903.16 (failing to provide for a functionally impaired person);

-(4) 2903.21 (aggravated menacing);

-(5) 2905.32 (human trafficking);

-(6) 2905.33 (unlawful conduct with respect to documents);

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- ~~(7) 2903.34 (patient abuse and neglect);~~
- ~~(8) 2903.341 (patient endangerment);~~
- ~~(9) 2905.04 (child stealing) as it existed prior to July 1, 1996;~~
- ~~(10) 2905.05 (criminal child enticement);~~
- ~~(11) 2907.02(rape) ;~~
- ~~(12) 2907.03 (sexual battery);~~
- ~~(13) 2907.04 (unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, formerly corruption of a minor);~~
- ~~(14) 2907.05 (gross sexual imposition);~~
- ~~(15) 2907.06 (sexual imposition);~~
- ~~(16) 2907.07(importuning) ;~~
- ~~(17) 2907.08(voyeurism) ;~~
- ~~(18) 2907.12 (felonious sexual penetration);~~
- ~~(19) 2907.21 (compelling prostitution);~~
- ~~(20) 2907.22 (promoting prostitution);~~
- ~~(21) 2907.31 (disseminating matter harmful to juveniles);~~
- ~~(22) 2907.32 (pandering obscenity);~~
- ~~(23) 2907.321 (pandering obscenity involving a minor);~~
- ~~(24) 2907.322 (pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor);~~
- ~~(25) 2907.323 (illegal use of minor in nudity-oriented material or performance);~~
- ~~(26) 2907.33 (deception to obtain matter harmful to juveniles);~~
- ~~(27) 2909.22 (soliciting/providing support for act of terrorism);~~
- ~~(28) 2909.23 (making terrorist threat);~~
- ~~(29) 2909.24(terrorism) ;~~
- ~~(30) 2913.40 (Medicaid fraud);~~
- ~~(31) 2919.22 (endangering children);~~
- ~~(32) 2925.02 (corrupting another with drugs);~~
- ~~(33) 2925.23 (illegal processing of drug documents);~~
- ~~(34) 2925.24 (tampering with drugs);~~

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-(35) 2925.36 (illegal processing of drug samples);

-(36) 3716.11 (placing harmful objects in food or confection);