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Hello,

The below information is for organizations interested in hosting an OhioMHAS Peer Recovery Supporter (PRS) Training. If your organization would like to discuss scheduling a training, please e-mail peerservices@mha.ohio.gov and provide some dates and times that you are available to speak on the phone.

OhioMHAS PRS Training is for individuals with a **direct lived experience** of mental health and/or substance use issues. This training teaches individuals in recovery to use their experience and recovery to help their peers who are also in recovery. To qualify to attend training and apply for certification as a Peer Recovery Supporter in the State of Ohio, an individual **must personally be in recovery from a mental health and/or substance use issue**. The individual does not need to have *both* a mental health and substance use issue to attend training, but they must personally be in recovery from an addiction or a mental health issue. **Having a friend or family member in recovery does not qualify an individual to be certified as a Peer Recovery Supporter in the State of Ohio**. You can view the requirements to be certified as a Peer Recovery Supporter in Ohio Administrative Code at this web address: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/5122-29-15.1v1>

When a training is scheduled, OhioMHAS will assign two facilitators and mail training materials to the host contact person (training manuals and informational handouts). Please see the “Host Checklist” for an overview of host responsibilities.

Items to determine before scheduling an OhioMHAS PRS Training:

- **Will the host be funding the training or requesting OhioMHAS funding?** The cost of a training is \$3000 for the week (\$1500 paid to each facilitator). OhioMHAS will fund PRS trainings as the budget allows. When determining training funding, OhioMHAS will consider the number of peers currently certified in the geographical area, as well as PRS trainings already available in the area. Trainings funded by OhioMHAS must be available to individuals from all Ohio counties. If the training is funded by the host, the host may limit the training to specific areas/counties/cities or to specific individuals. **Trainings funded by the host must still be limited to only individuals with a lived experience of mental health and/or substance use issues.**
- **A contact person for the training.** The name and contact information (phone and/or e-mail) will be posted to the OhioMHAS public web Training Calendar. Individuals who contact OhioMHAS regarding available PRS trainings will be provided a link to the training calendar and instructed to contact the host in their area directly. Individuals will register for training directly with the host contact person. The registration process is solely at the discretion of the host. Participants will **not be required to submit materials to OhioMHAS until they apply for certification as a Peer Recovery Supporter in the state of Ohio** (after completing training and passing their online exam).
- **Has the host identified individuals to attend training?** Trainings must have a minimum of 10 participants present on the first day of training. It is the responsibility of the host to ensure that at least 10 participants are present. Please consider a confirmation process for training participants. **Trainings with less than 10 individuals present on the first day of training will be cancelled.** Due to time required to complete individualized training exercises, **a maximum of 25 participants** per training are permitted. OhioMHAS will provide a flier and communications template for host use in marketing PRS trainings.



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- **A location for the training.** The host is responsible for securing a location for the training. The location must be able to accommodate 27 people (25 participants and 2 facilitators). It is helpful to participants if the location has free/easy parking.
- **Will the host be able to provide lunch?** Typically, the host will provide lunch for the participants and facilitators. It is not required that the host provide lunch, but it helps with the flow of the training if participants/facilitators have lunch available at the training site.

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING E-BASED ACADEMY COURSEWORK: The following 11 eBased Academy courses are required as part of the Certification Application Packet (submitted to OhioMHAS after training completion). It is **highly recommended** that participants complete these courses prior to attending PRS Training. Courses provide foundational knowledge of Peer Support and mental health/substance use issues for individuals who are not familiar with Peer Support or have not worked in the treatment/recovery field. Completing coursework after training will delay the individual's Certification Application process. Individuals may register for a free eBased Academy account at www.ebasedacademy.org.

1. Introduction to Peer Recovery Support
2. History of Addiction for Peer Recovery Supporters
3. Ethics and Boundaries for Peer Recovery Supporters
4. History of the CSX Movement for Peer Recovery Supporters
5. Helpful Tips for Peer Recovery Supporters Entering the Workforce
6. Health and Wellness in Peer Recovery Support
7. Cultural Competence in Mental Health and Addiction Recovery
8. Human Trafficking Training for Peer Recovery Supporters
9. Supervision for Peer Recovery Supporters
10. Trauma Informed Care in Peer Recovery Support
11. Ohio S-BIRT 101: An Introduction to S-BIRT and Motivational Interviewing (***make sure that you are taking the Introduction course and NOT S-BIRT 102 or 103***).

Please see the below list of **Disqualifying Offenses**. These offenses will prevent individuals from being certified as a Peer Recovery Supporter in the State of Ohio. There is no waiver for these offenses.

Thank you again for your interest in PRS training!

Best Regards,

Peer Services Training Team



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1. 2903.01 - aggravated murder	19. 2907.21 – compelling prostitution
2. 2903.15 - permitting child abuse	20. 2907.22 – promoting prostitution
3. 2903.16 – failing to provide for a functionally impaired person	21. 2907.31 – disseminating matter harmful to juveniles
4. 2903.21 – aggravated menacing	22. 2907.32 – pandering obscenity
5. 2905.32 – human trafficking	23. 2907.321 – pandering obscenity involving a minor
6. 2905.33 – unlawful conduct with respect to documents	24. 2907.322 – pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor
7. 2903.34 – patient abuse and neglect	25. 2907.323 – illegal use of minor in nudity-oriented material or performance
8. 2903.341 – patient endangerment	26. 2907.33 – deception to obtain matter harmful to juveniles
9. 2905.04 – child stealing (as it existed prior to July 1, 1996)	27. 2909.22 – soliciting/providing support for act of terrorism
10. 2905.05 – criminal child enticement	28. 2909.23 – making terrorist threat
11. 2907.02 – rape	29. 2909.24 – terrorism
12. 2907.03 – sexual battery	30. 2913.40 – Medicaid fraud
13. 2907.04 – unlawful sexual conduct with a minor (formerly corruption of a minor)	31. 2919.22 – endangering children
14. 2907.05 – gross sexual imposition	32. 2925.02 – corrupting another with drugs
15. 2907.06 – sexual imposition	33. 2925.23 – illegal processing of drug documents
16. 2907.07 – importuning	34. 2925.24 – tampering with drugs
17. 2907.08 – voyeurism	35. 2925.36 – illegal processing of drug samples
18. 2907.12 – felonious sexual penetration	36. 3716.11 – placing harmful objects in food or confection