

New York Recovery Coach Training

Dear Provider or Recovery Organization:

The New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services is pleased to offer a **free** five-day **Recovery Coaching training**. Participants must purchase their own copy of the Recovery Coach Academy Manual for the cost of \$30.00, (instructions below). This training is for individuals who are involved in the recovery initiation of others and/or who are in sustained recovery themselves and want to become a personal guide and mentor for people seeking or already in recovery.

Recovery Coaching is a peer-based recovery service that is non-clinical and designed to engage others beyond recovery initiation through stabilization and into recovery maintenance. Similar peer interventions in clinical settings have been shown to improve engagement and retention of people seeking services. It is also known that long-term treatment outcomes are improved by assertive linkages to community-based recovery supports such as Recovery Coaching.

Recovery Coaches:

- Help to initiate and sustain an individual/family in their recovery from substance use disorder or addiction.
- Promote recovery by removing barriers and obstacles to recovery
- Serve as a personal guide and mentor for people seeking, or already in recovery

This five-day training, provided over two consecutive weeks, will be offered in different locations across the state. The training will cover the Connecticut Center for Addiction Recovery (CCAR) model for peer specialist roles and responsibilities. Participants will receive a Recovery Coach Certificate and a Standardized OASAS Certificate of completion applicable for OASAS CASAC, CPP and CPS credentialing hours upon completion of the training. No certificates will be issued for partial completion.

St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center will host this training, scheduled as follows:

Dates: July 28 and 29, and August 3, 4 and 5, 2010.

Location: Albany Training Center University Administration Building (UAB), Fourth Floor Room 433, 1215 Western Avenue, Albany NY 12203.

Time: 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. – with registration **at 8:30 a.m. on July 28, 2010.** (Seating is limited to a maximum of 20 participants).

Instructions to submit an application for New York Recovery Coaching training, candidates are required to provide the following:

- Each participant must purchase a Recovery Coach Academy Manual. Check or money order made out to **St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center** for \$30.00 must be submitted to Deborah Eley, Program Coordinator, **St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center, 62 Second Ave.**, Albany, New York 12202.
- Sponsorship from OASAS provider agency, other human services provider agency or recovery organization. The provider organization shall identify a candidate(s) to attend the training and submit one application for each candidate. The candidates may be agency volunteers or staff members with personal and/or professional experience with recovery from alcohol/drug/gambling-related problems.
- The application for participation in this training requires submission of an application which includes a brief description how the Recovery Coach Training will be utilized in delivery of services.
- Please submit a cover letter demonstrating executive level support and your agency's commitment to facilitate the sponsored candidate(s)' participation in training as well as implementation efforts post training.
- Applications must be received by **July 19, 2010** sent to:

Sandra Marnell RNCD, CASAC
NYS OASAS – Recovery Services
1450 Western Avenue Albany, NY 12203

Or a single copy sent electronically to SandraMarnell@OASAS.state.ny.us

Questions regarding the application process may be directed to the same e-mail address or by telephone at 518 485-9482

- Lodging will be not provided.
- Meals are the responsibility of the participants.
- Further information including directions will be provided with an acceptance letter.
- The "Letter of Acceptance" will be emailed by OASAS.

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