

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. Each participant **must** purchase a Recovery Coach Academy Manual.

The next training session will be hosted by the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health and The Renaissance Project. **Check or money order for the Recovery Coach Academy Manual must be made out to** Renaissance Project, Inc. and send to Attention of Bill Magwood, 250 Clearbrook Road, Elmsford, NY 10523, for **\$30.00** prior to the training.

The schedule and location for this training is as follows:

Dates: Oct. 5, 6, and 13, 14 and 15, 2010.

Location: 143 Grand Street, White Plains, NY 10601
2nd Floor Boardroom

Time: 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. – with registration at **8:30 a.m. on October 5, 2010.** (Seating is limited to a maximum of 20 participants).

Participants will receive a Recovery Coach Certificate and a Standardized OASAS Certificate of completion applicable for OASAS CASAC, CPP and CPS Credit upon completion of the training. No certificates will be issued for partial completion.

To be eligible to submit an **application** for New York Recovery Coaching training, candidates must have sponsorship from OASAS Provider Agency, other Human Services Provider Agency or Recovery Organization. The provider agencies/organization shall identify a candidate(s) to attend the training and submit the attached application. 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 the submission of the attached 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, along with two copies of the application for each candidate.

Applications must be received by **September 27, 2010** send 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