PARfessionals' Forensic ReEntry Peer Recovery Support Specialist Training

Syllabus Highlights

Introduction to Forensic Peer Recovery
Practical Support for Inmates and Ex-offenders
The Quest for Employment After Release
Establishing a Social Network After Release

Module 1: Activist Roots
Mental Health, Substance Use, Corrections Historical, Disability Overview

Module 2: Current State of Affairs
Statistics on: Mental Health, Drug Use, Co-occurring Disorders,Incarceration
Profile of Recipients: Veterans, Rural Care
Global Mental Health

Module 3: Addiction Science Basics
Substance Use Disorders, Addiction and Overdose Prevention

Module 4: Medication Assisted Treatment

Module 5: Addiction Recovery Models
Models: Minnesota Model, Harm Reduction Model, The 12 Step/Mutual Aid Model, Recovery Management Model (RM)

Module 6: Mental Health Basics
Diagnosis and Treatment

Module 7: Co-occurring disorders

Module 8: Trauma-Informed Care

Module 9: Systems Factors and Trauma
Systems and Why They Matter, Historical Trauma & Culture, the African American Experience, Reconciling the Native American Experience

Module 10: Recovery

Module 11: Whole Health Recovery
Whole-Person Wellness, Families and Important

Module 12: Systemic Change: The Evolution to Comprehensive and Integrative Care
Acute Care vs Chronic Care vs Recovery-Oriented care

Module 13: Sequential Intercept Model (SIM)
SIM Overview, The Intercepts, Screening Assessment and Referral in the Criminal Justice System

Module 14: Peer services and Peer Providers Values
Lived Experience, Categories of Peer Support, System Benefits, Peer Provider as an Agent of Change, Benefits to Clients and the Peer Provider

Module 15: The Professionalization of Peer Providers
Who Gets to Define a Peer Provider?
Training and Competencies

Module 16: Clinical Research Basics and Evidence-based Practices
Research and Evidenced-Based Practice (EBP)

Module 17: Working Alliance and Basic Helping Skills
Establishing Trust and Intimacy with the Client
Presence, Active Listening, Self-Management,
Basic Group Facilitation Skills

Module 18: Establishing a Peer Based Working Alliance
Modeling Recovery Behavior, Practice Self-Care, Servant Leadership for Peer Recovery Providers

Module 19: Recovery Planning
Recovery Plan Models, Suicide and self-harm, Crisis planning, Post Crisis Planning, and Advanced Directives

Module 20: Support Activities
Social Services and Health/Wellness Programs
Prevention and outreach

Module 21: Advocacy
Advocating for yourself, clients, organization, community and within the system

Module 22: Legal Overview
Federal & State Law, Healthcare Law: Medicare & Medicaid, Employment Discrimination and Sexual Orientation

Module 23: Ethics
Professional ethics, Professional limitations, Confidentiality, Mandated Reporting

Module 24: Cultural Competence
Fundamentals of Cultural Competence and Cultural Intelligence, Self-Awareness, Global peer support, Gerontology, and Religion

Module 25: Documentation of Services

Module 26: Career Planning
Specialist Certification Requirements, The Real Experience – What Training Doesn't Prepare You For

Appendix: Assessment and Evaluation Forms

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