

Call for Proposals
14th Annual NYC Conference for Working Peer Specialists
New York University's Kimmel Center | Thursday, July 16, 2020

The New York City Peer Specialist Conference Planning Committee is currently seeking workshop proposals for the 14th Annual NYC Conference for Working Peer Specialists, which will be held at the NYU Kimmel Center on Thursday, July 16, 2020. This year's conference theme is **Peer Support: Practices, Outcomes, Values**

This conference is intended specifically for New York City Peer Specialists working in Behavioral Health, as well as in the Family and Youth fields, who wish to enhance their skills and knowledge of current practices of the peer support workforce. This conference will also stimulate a creative and critical dialogue about career development and trends in health care that impact engagement of people for whom we provide peer support. We invite brief workshop descriptions of no more than 150 words that focus on peer support practices used to engage participants and/or promote a recovery-oriented, person-centered, and trauma-informed environment change.

Workshops are 90 minutes. Proposals will be reviewed using the following criteria:

- Clear learning objectives
- Originality and innovation
- Clarity in description of subject matter
- Broad implications across peer workforce experience
- Qualifications and experience of presenters on workshop proposal subject matter

Deadline for submission of workshop proposals is Monday, January 6, 2020.

Information about Continuing Education Units/Hours (CEUs)

Workshops may be eligible for 1.5 CEUs for NYPSCB certification or renewal if the learning objectives include specific skills that will be taught during the workshop. Presenters must be able to describe how attendees will demonstrate these skills. Please refer to this [document](#) for suggestions on how to develop clear learning objectives.

Suggested Topic Areas for Workshop Proposals

Community Inclusion	Mentoring
Conflict Resolution	Motivational Interviewing
Creativity	Natural Supports
Criminal Justice	Peer Support Services
Cultural Humility (see slide #3)	Recovery-Oriented Practices
Diversity and Equity	Self-Care and Compassion Fatigue
Family and Parenting	Social Determinants of Health
Health and Wellness Planning	Stigma and Discrimination
Integration of Health and Behavioral Health	Suicide Prevention
Intersectionality (see definition only)	Trauma-Informed Practice
LGBTQIA+	Youth

Please submit workshop proposals by e-mail, fax, or mail to:

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New York City Field Office
330 Fifth Ave., 9th floor
New York, N.Y. 10001
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Workshop proposals must be e-mailed, faxed or postmarked no later than the close of business on January 6, 2020.

Please complete the attached 2020 Workshop Proposal Submission form. Incomplete proposals will delay consideration of your submission.

Peer Specialist Conference Planning Committee: The New York State Office of Mental Health, Office of Consumer Affairs; The New York City Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Consumer Affairs; Baltic Street AEH, Inc.; NYC Health +Hospitals, Office of Behavioral Health; New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS); The Coalition of Behavioral Health, Center for Rehabilitation and Recovery; Howie the Harp Peer Advocacy & Training Center; New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Bureau of Mental Health, Office of Rehabilitation Programs; New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Use Prevention, Care, and Treatment