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Subject Matter Experts Needed for Certified Recovery Peer Advocate-Youth Job Task Analysis

Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers of New York State, Inc. (ASAP) and the New York Certification Board (NYCB) have been awarded a contract by the Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene, Inc. (RFMH) and New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) "to develop, pilot, and implement addiction-specific Youth and Family Peer Services parenthetics that build upon the Certified Recovery Peer Advocates (CRPA) certifications." The intent of the project is to develop a career path for those interested in becoming CRPAs specializing in serving youth and families affected by youthful substance use.

Partnering with YOUTH POWER! and WRise Consulting, ASAP and NYCB will develop a new certification (CRPA-Youth) and a dedicated training curriculum for youth peers who specialize in serving youth with addiction and/or behavioral challenges. Candidates for certification will be expected to complete all CRPA requirements, additional youth peer support training and work experience specific to this specialty area.

If you are interested in **Youth Peer Support Services** and would like to serve as a SME in the development of the new CRPA-Youth certification **Job Task Analysis**, please email Doug Rosenberry for submission criteria. **Submissions will be accepted through December 2016 to be considered for subsequent SME activities and meetings.**

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Subject Matter Expert Qualifications

Required: Experience working with youth and/or young adults providing youth peer support.

Preferred: 18-30 years of age.

Recommended:

- 20 or more hours of peer support training;
- Currently certified as a CRPA;
- Knowledge of CRPA certification standards/process; or
- Knowledge of the addiction and behavioral health systems;

For questions about the NYCB or New York CRPA Youth & Family Project, please email Doug Rosenberry at drosenberry@asapnys.org or visit the NYCB website for details.

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