



ASAP-New York Certification Board A DECADE OF MILESTONES 2012-2022

- 2012: ASAP under Executive Director, **John Coppola**, establishes the New York Certification Board in response to outreach from the recovery community led by **Laura Elliot-Engel**. In September, pioneering trainer, **Betty Currier**, becomes the first NYCB certificant. A total of 40 Certified Addiction Recovery Coaches (**CARC**) are approved by year's-end.
- 2014: The International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (**IC&RC**) originates the peer recovery certification widely adopted nationally as a Medicaid-reimbursement role and known in NYS as Certified Recovery Peer Advocate (**CRPA**).
- First CRPAs are certified under contract with the IC&RC member board for New York State, OASAS (Office of Addiction Services & Supports, state agency). Long-term Board member, **Keith Stack**, becomes one of the first dually certified peer professionals in New York State (CARC and CRPA).
- 2016: First **CRPA-Provisionals** are certified. Certification introduced to allow for Medicaid- billing during candidate's (limited) period of building role experience for full certification.
- ASAP-NYCB develops and co-hosts the **First NYS Recovery Conference** in Troy, with ASAP remaining as co-host of this annual event through 2019.
- 2017: NYCB integrates peer certificants from the New York Certification Association, the former NYS operation of the Florida Certification Board; five NYCA Board members join the ASAP-NYCB Board.
- The original **Peer Recovery Exam Prep workshop** launches based on the developer **Ruth Riddick's** experience as an IC&RC subject matter expert item writer and a peer recovery trainer. Later converted to an asynchronous online product, popular among certification candidates.
- 2019: **CRPA-Family** specialty certification launches with original training developed in partnership with Families Together in New York State under the ASAP-Peer Workforce Initiative brand.
- 2020: **Elisabeth Kranson**, an ICE Certified Credentialing Specialist, is appointed as NYCB's first full-time Director of Certification. She is an ICE Certified Credentialing Specialist. She introduces Certemy, a widely-used online certification database, launches, enabling the NYCB applicants to complete the application process online. Viewed as a critical shift in the wake of COVID.
- ASAP-NYCB Trainer Registry** program launches, growing to 140 professional peer recovery trainer members in NYS and beyond within eighteen months.
- ASAP-NYCB Training Approval** relaunches as part of the registry program, effective October (foundational) and January (continuing education). NYCB approves online training for the first time.
- 2021: The Trainer Registry program hosts two invitation-based facilitated Roundtables to explore with trainers and supervisors how NYCB might improve the field experience of CRPA-Provisional.
- Responding again to community advocacy, ASAP launches **Veteran Supported Recovery (VSR)**, an original online training (ASAP-PWI) and professional certification (ASAP-NYCB) program. First VSR certificants approved in 2022. This is the first certification to be wholly developed in-house.
- 2022: ASAP-NYCB celebrates its diamond anniversary by:
- Publishing **ASAP-NYCB Trainer Registry Member Standards of Practice**, a first in the field
 - Publishing the **A Guide to Role Competencies for Peer Supervisors & Program Managers**
 - Proposing to pivot CRPA parentetic training online (via OASAS),
 - Committing to **Medication Supported Recovery (MSR)** as a pathway of recovery and mandating foundational MSR training for all initial certifications.
- ASAP-NYCB elects its third Board President, **Adrienne Brown**, and second Vice President, **Crystal Montague**. Longtime Board President, **Roy Kears**, becomes first President-Emeritus.