E-News for Peer Recovery Professionals



Need-to-Know | February 2022:

- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) training requirement is now for Medication Supported Recovery (MSR)
- Veteran Supported Recovery (VSR) training & certification now available

See this month's additions to approved trainings for certification renewal at http://www.asapnys.org/renewal-program/

Certification in the Peer Recovery Profession

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MEDICATION SUPPORTED RECOVERY

At its first meeting of 2022, its diamond anniversary year, the ASAP-New York Certification Board resolved that:

"It is the position of the ASAP-NYCB that the term 'medication assisted treatment' be replaced in our certification standards by the more recovery-oriented term 'medication supported recovery' (MSR). This revised language encompasses a more global terminology that better aligns with SAMHSA's definition of recovery and a multiple pathways approach to treatment and recovery." (January 19, 2022)



Roy Kearse Board President

"It's the Board's commitment not only to keep track of innovative developments in recovery, but our respect for DEI, that lead us to be inclusive of all possible, pathways of recovery."



Charlene Payne Board Member

"As a MSR Advocate I am encouraged that people who use medications to support their recovery will now be supported by Peer Advocates who are trained in recovery."



Jason PageTrainer Registry Convener

"I was delighted to bring this resolution to my fellow Board members from trainers who feel so deeply committed to challenging the stigma and bias attached to medication."

Read more about the background to ASAP-NYCB's decision - click here

What the MAT-to-Medication Supported Recovery change means to you:

If you're a certification candidate:

"As of April 1, 2022, *all CRPA and CRPA-Provisional applicants, including CRPA renewals*, will need to complete 4-hours of Medication Supported Recovery," says **Elisabeth Kranson**, ASAP-NYCB Director of Certification. "This training was previously only required for CARC, but it has become increasingly important information for all of NYCB's certified professionals."

Any training posted on ASAP-NYCB's <u>approved foundational</u> training page will meet this requirement.





If you're a trainer:

"As a trainer, you will already be leading conversations on medication as one of the multiple pathways of recovery, and there's *no change to the status of currently approved medication trainings*" says Community Outreach, Ruth Riddick, ASAP-NYCB Trainer Registry Program Manager. For students interested in professional peer recovery certification, she suggests the following options:

- **Design** an original Medication Supported Recovery training with a focus on strengthening communications skills and addressing stigma. Submit your training for approval before delivery.
- Engage a fellow member of the Trainer Registry to deliver an already approved training to your students
- Refer your students to the approved training options on the <u>approved foundational training</u> page

Submit your MSR training for approval <u>here</u>. Renew your Trainer Registry membership <u>here</u>.

VETERAN SUPPORTED RECOVERY (VSR) Training & Certification now available



Full details and links at: https://www.asapnys.org/veteran-supported-recovery/

Click here to view ASAP VSR infographic in PDF

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