

ASAP merges with CBH!

"New York Certification Board & Trainer Registry program will be strengthened by merger," say John Coppola & Amy Dorin



"ASAP established the New York Certification Board in response to community demand for creation of a recovery peer certification, recognition of peer competence and support for peers through top-quality training," said **ASAP Executive Director, John Coppola**. "Our commitment has been unwavering for more than 10 years resulting in 3,000 certificants and a growing portfolio of certifications. ASAP's merger with The Coalition will strengthen our ability to serve peer recovery professionals into the future."



"The ASAP-NYCB Trainer Registry is one of the many jewels that will be strengthened by the merger," according to **Amy Dorin, CEO of The Coalition for Behavioral Health**.

"Elevating the quality of vocational training is a shared mission and this program sets a terrific standard. We look forward to working with the Trainer Registry program and the New York Certification Board to enrich and strengthen the behavioral health workforce now and into the future."

It's business as usual at ASAP-NYCB. No change!

Adrienne Brown, ASAP-NYCB Board President

"This merger is great news for peer recovery professionals and their trainers."

"The merger is a huge undertaking for both organizations," says **ASAP-NYCB Board President, Adrienne Brown** who joined the ASAP board as a "member at large" in July 2022. "I joined the effort after a great deal of the preliminary work was completed and the merger was approved by membership. Amy and John have done a

tremendous job facilitating this process."

"As we move forward, I'm honored to serve on the new corporation's Transitional Board. For us at ASAP-NYCB, this merger is a win!"

"Our professional certifications validate the Peer Recovery workforce as competent, transparent, ethical and accountable," Brown continues. Elected to her present voluntary position in the summer, she's grateful for the mentorship of her predecessor: "**Roy Kearse**, our President Emeritus, was so helpful to me."



[Click here to read our interview with Adrienne Brown](#)



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- You have already completed, or are in the process of completing, 100 hours post-graduate life experience in the field of addiction counseling (minimum 40 hours of ASAP-IC&RC approved peer recovery training (check with your trainer or another training approved provider).
- You have a High School Diploma / GED or an equivalent.
- You've paid exam fee (\$100).

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- Recommendations for further study.

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