

CERTIFIED PEER RECOVERY SPECIALIST (CPRS)



via: International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC)/
NJ Addiction Professionals Certification Board

Eligibility & Application Requirements

- Must submit a copy of GED, high school or higher education diploma or transcript.
- Must have a minimum of 500 hours of work/volunteer experience in within the past two years (signed by supervisor).
- Must submit job/volunteer and program description (signed by supervisor).
- Must submit signature page documenting attendance of four self-help meetings related to Substance Use or Co-Occurring Disorders and Ethical Standards Recognition Statement for CPRS (signed by supervisor).
- Must submit completion of pre-approved 25 Supervised Practicum Hours in a licensed or approved agency (signed by supervisor).
- Must provide copy of certificate/transcript of 46 hours of face-to-face training focused on the Four Domains of Peer Recovery.

46 Face-to-Face Training Hours Include:

- 10 training hours—Advocacy
- 16 training hours—Ethical Responsibility
- 10 training hours—Mentoring and Education
- 10 training hours—Recovery Support
 - May be achieved via DMHAS required 18 hour Ethics + 30 hour CCAR.
 - NJPN training is provided at no cost to DMHAS peer workers. NJPN will provide official transcript for courses provided.
 - Non-NJPN students, *please see: Certification Board website (CertBd.org) for listing of all approved Education Providers and Trainings.*

25 Supervised Practicum Hours Include:

- 5 supervised hours—Advocacy
- 10 supervised hours—Ethical Responsibility
- 5 supervised hours—Mentoring and Education
- 5 supervised hours—Recovery/Wellness Support

Who Should Apply?

Peer Workers providing Recovery Support Services for NJ-DMHAS funded agencies
[CERTBD.org/product/certified-peer-recovery-specialist](https://www.certbd.org/product/certified-peer-recovery-specialist)

TEST EXEMPTION OFFER EXTENDS TO JUNE 30, 2020



NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) endorses CPRS and NCPRSS certifications for peer workers within DMHAS initiatives. Each certification has specific eligibility requirements, the DMHAS required 3-day (18 hour) Ethics training plus the 5-day (30 hour) CCAR training are approved foundation courses applied to both credentials.