

Wyoming Certified Peer Specialist Endorsements

Aside from general certification, Peer Specialists may obtain additional optional endorsements to include the following:

Mastery Endorsement:

A Peer Specialist may apply for a Mastery Endorsement if they have completed **two or more** community-based advocacy or leadership accomplishments during the 12 preceding months. The Mastery Endorsement is in addition to other requirements and represents accomplishment of **significant** contributions outside of the normal scope of work. Application for a Mastery Endorsement must be renewed with PS Certification Renewal Application (during the two-year certificate renewal period). Mastery must be documented with up to three pages of information (i.e., newspaper clippings, certificate of attendance, documentation letter).

Sample Mastery Endorsement Projects

- Play a key role in the establishment of a local advocacy group (any community topic)
- Serve on the board of directors for a non-profit or governmental organization (any topic)
- Provide public testimony to a board, council, legislature, or other formal advisory group related to the services or situations that promote recovery or prevention
- Serve as a mentor for another Peer Specialist to include a minimum of 20 mentorship hours (telephone or face-to-face correspondence)
- Lead training or present at a statewide, regional, or national conference on any recovery topic
- Work with at least one (1) community judicial system organization to implement a process that promotes recovery over incarceration (i.e., put into action a portion of the Sequential Intercept Model)
- Participate as an instructor of the New Peer Specialist training during the previous 12 months
- Other activity that shows exceptional commitment or skills related to consumer issues

Whole Health Endorsement:

A Peer Specialist may apply for a Whole Health Endorsement. The Whole Health Endorsement is in addition to other requirements. Application for a Whole Health Endorsement must be renewed with PS Certification Renewal Application (during the two-year certificate renewal period). These are the requirements:

- Initial Endorsement:
 - Only once, complete a formal training of at least fourteen (14) contact hours with a curriculum designed to help the peer specialist help others promote mind-body recovery and resiliency, whole health, and/or self-management of chronic health conditions as approved by Recover Wyoming
- For Continued Qualifications:
 - Present the curriculum to at least eight (8) peers/groups during the previous 24 months to include at least eight (8) weeks of in-person group sessions, each lasting at least one hour

AND/OR

- Obtain a WRAP® Facilitator Certification (requires the WRAP 5-day training) and assist 6 or more people in development of their WRAP

Forensic Peer Specialist Endorsement:

A Peer Specialist may apply for a Forensic Peer Specialist Endorsement. The Forensic Peer Specialist Endorsement is in addition to other requirements. Application for a Forensic Peer Specialist Endorsement must be renewed with PS Certification Renewal Application (during the two-year certificate renewal period). These are the requirements:

- Initial Endorsement:
 - Complete a formal training designed for Forensic Peer Specialists with at least sixteen (16) contact hours as approved by Recover Wyoming
 - Work as a peer specialist with at least two (2) persons who are on probation or parole, in the community, or in a jail or prison during the previous twelve (12) months to include at least eight (8) 1-hour sessions of in-person peer specialist services (group and/or one-to-one) provided.

- For Continued Qualifications:
 - Work as a peer specialist with at least two (4) persons who are on probation or parole, in the community, or in a jail or prison during the previous 24 months to include at least eight (8) 1-hour sessions of in-person peer specialist services (group and/or one-to-one) provided.
 - Complete four (4) or more Forensic Peer Specialist CE's **or** participate as an instructor of the Forensic Peer Specialist training during the previous 24 months

For questions regarding optional endorsements, please contact Recover Wyoming:

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