

Certified Recovery Peer Advocate (CRPA) Best Practice Training Scholarship Program **Participant Expectations and Directions**

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

By applying you agree to follow through on the minimum requirements below.

The CRPA Training Scholarship Program:

- Attend pre-training informational session
- Complete all 50 hours of training. (Recovery Coach Academy + Ethics, or another approved role training curriculum + MSR).
- Attend minimum of 6 monthly **student learning collaborative** and mentor calls to be scheduled by your trainer.
- Apply for <u>CRPA-provisional</u> standing with the NYCB at ASAP
- Complete **500-hour work experience** "internship" (can be paid or volunteer) and completed within 2 years.
- Complete **25 hours of "internship" supervision** and track all hours.
- Attend Peer Recovery <u>exam preparatory classes</u> or utilize study guides and other <u>resources</u> as needed.
- Sit for the **IC&RC Peer Recovery Examination** within 2 years of CRPA-P.
- Apply for <u>CRPA</u> Certification Up-grade through the NYCB at ASAP.

THIS IS A WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP*

*Accepting this scholarship means that once you've passed the examination, you agree to begin to look for paid or volunteer work within the Addiction Prevention, Treatment and/or Recovery Support Services field.

You may post your resume on the ASAP job bank site <u>here</u> and look for available jobs on the Alumni Association job board <u>here</u>.

TO APPLY – Please READ expectations, be prepared to pay for your training manuals and then take these

STEPS:

- **1) BEFORE you apply**, <u>please prepare and upload</u> documents below:
 - CPRA Scholarship Essay Questions form Pdf.
 - Documentation of educational status (copy of diploma or GED) in jpg or pdf.
 - Two recommendations on this form: RECOMMENDATION form pdf.

Approved list of references includes:

- Recovery Community Organizations
- Recovery support provider
- Former treatment provider
- o Current or former employer
- Sponsor or another mentor
- Current or former teacher/academic advisor
 - Note: not acceptable references from friends, significant other or family

2) Contact a **Best Practice Trainer** to **schedule** a screening interview.

Meet with a trainer for a face to face interview.

3) Have patience with the process. This will take some time!

Eligibility will be determined by region of the state, financial need, appropriateness/readiness for training and extent of lived experience. Only a handful of the best candidates will be approved per region.

(NOTE: Current residential treatment clients are not eligible.)

Click <u>here</u> to apply.

4) When you complete training please email your RCA, Ethics and MSR training certificates to <u>info@for-ny.org</u>

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• If you have your CRPA and want to renew it, even if it's lapsed, find out how by visiting the **NYCB renewals page**.