



Pacific Clinics

RECOVERY EDUCATION INSTITUTE

# MEDI-CAL PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION ONLINE TRAINING



Recovery Education Institute (REI) offers an online Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification training that equips aspiring peer support specialists in learning skills based content while utilizing their lived experiences to gain employment within the mental health services field.

Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialists have a transformative effect on care. Whether through emergency response, inpatient settings, primary care, or alongside mental health professionals, peers use their valuable lived experiences to help others navigate and progress in their own recovery process.

## PROGRAM CURRICULUM INCLUDES:

- Defining Mental Health/History of Mental Health
- Recovery, Resiliency, & Wellness
- Peer Support Core Competencies
- Co-Occurring Disorders of Mental Health/Substance Use
- SUD Recovery & Relapse Prevention
- Stigma & Mental Health
- Trauma Informed Care
- Motivational Interviewing
- Law & Ethics
- Substance Use Disorders
- Conflict Resolution
- Harm Reduction
- HIPAA/Ethics
- Documentation Skills & Standards
- Sharing your Recovery/Resiliency Story
- Professional Boundaries
- Cultural Diversity in Mental Health

### To register:

**New students:** Call (714) 244-4322 or email [ocrei@pacificclinics.org](mailto:ocrei@pacificclinics.org) to schedule a new student appointment.

**Current Students:** Contact your academic advisor for further steps.



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## FAQS

### What are the benefits of taking this training?

This online training program prepares students for a career as a Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification and opens the door to new career opportunities in an in-demand field.

Students will develop skills and learn strategies to help them effectively use their own lived experiences to positively impact the lives of others.

### How long is the training?

The Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Online training is an 80 hour comprehensive training program that requires online in-person participation.

### What is the cost of the training?

The training is free of charge. You must be enrolled as a student at REI to be eligible to participate in the Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Online training program.

### Will I get a certificate upon completion of the training?

Participants will receive a letter of completion as proof of completing the training.

However, in order to become a certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist you must pass a state exam. Students will receive guidance and use support in completing their exam application once that is made available by the State of California.

### To seek Certification as Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist an individual must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be at least 18 years of age.
2. Possess a high school diploma or equivalent degree.
3. Be self-identified as having experience with the process of recovery from a mental illness or substance use disorder, either as a consumer of these services or as the parent, caregiver or family member of a consumer.
4. Be willing to share their experience.
5. Have a strong dedication to recovery.
6. Agree, in writing, to adhere to the Code of Ethics.
7. Successfully complete the 80-hour training requirements for a peer support specialist through a CaIMHSA-approved training entity.
8. Pass the certification examination.



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