

# CERTIFICATE IV in Mental Health Peer Work

COURSE CODE: CHC43515



## ABOUT THIS COURSE

The peer workforce is arguably the fastest growing workforce in mental health in Australia. Based on international evidence and identified sector need, the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work has been developed to meet the needs of this emerging workforce.

Consumer and carer peer workers will have a unique opportunity to build upon their lived experience and their on-the-job experience and receive a nationally recognised qualification in mental health.

*“reflecting on the experience I had at work in the past—the breadth of content in [this training] could have solved a lot of the heartache I had along the way. This is going to propel the [peer] workforce forward.”*

## WHO IS THIS FOR?

MHCC has customised the delivery of this qualification to meet the needs of people **currently working in identified consumer or carer peer work roles** (paid or unpaid) within the mental health sector in government, private or community managed services.

This qualification is specific to **workers with lived experience** of mental health problems as either a consumer or carer and who work in services and roles which support consumer or carer peers.



## BENEFITS OF BECOMING A QUALIFIED PEER WORKER

### FOR WORKERS

- use your personal lived experience purposefully and with appropriate boundaries
- work collaboratively with others to support holistic and seamless service
- identify information and resources to support self-determination
- maintain a positive work-life balance and address your wellbeing needs
- equip yourself to drive meaningful change in your sector

### FOR ORGANISATIONS

- understand the role and unique contributions of consumer and carer peer workers
- resolve role strain, role confusion and role conflict in a timely manner
- provide trauma-informed, strengths-based and recovery-oriented peer support for service users

Contact us for more information about this qualification or other training delivered by MHCC Learning & Development

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## COURSE TOPICS

- Foundations of Peer Work
- Trauma-Informed Peer Work
- Cultural Diversity
- Reflect on Practice
- Support Wellbeing & Physical Health
- Promote & Facilitate Self-Advocacy
- WHS (online)

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible to study the Certificate in Mental Health Peer Work with MHCC a participant must be either a:

- Consumer Peer Worker currently working (paid or unpaid) in an **identified peer role** OR
- Carer Peer Worker currently working (paid or unpaid) in an **identified peer role**
- AND providing **direct ongoing support** to other consumers as part of their day to day work.

AND have basic numeracy and literacy skills including reading, understanding and following WHS and other work related instructions, recording information and performing basic calculations.

MHCC can provide some assistance through reasonable adjustment processes, and provide appropriate referrals for support.

## COURSE FEES

Subsidised training places are available under Smart and Skilled. This training is subsidised by the NSW Government.

You can complete the qualification for as little as \$1970 if you meet the eligibility requirements.

Fee exemptions and concessions are also available. For details [click here](#). This training is delivered by Mental Health Coordinating Council Inc. RTO Code: 91296.

For organisations interested in funded places available or group training, please contact MHCC Learning and Development (see below for contact details).

For more information about Smart and Skilled visit <https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au> OR call 1300 772 104

OR visit <http://goo.gl/r4Q7RF> for more information about course/recognition/blended pathway options and fees.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

- Check your eligibility
- Request an enrolment pack, visit: <http://goo.gl/r4Q7RF> to download the pack OR contact MHCC directly (see below for contact details)
- Read the information in your pack
- Set up your Unique Student Identifier (your pack explains what this is and how to set it up)
- Send in your enrolment forms and proof of citizenship status to MHCC
- Receive notification of the outcome and confirmation of fees if you are accepted

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