

Oregon Peer Support Specialist Coalition

Nothing About Us Without Us!

OCAC Work Plan for 2016

- One of the three PDS Subcommittee's goals for 2016 is to **develop and support a statewide Peer Support Specialist Coalition!**





Purpose of the Peer Support Coalition

- Connect Peer-Run Organizations, Programs and Peer Support Specialists
- Peer Support Expertise to be defined by active peer support specialists and peer organizations
- Develop standards for training, ethics, practices, supervision and certification for our state
- Collaborate to share training, policies and other resources for excellence, growth and sustainability

Other States with Peer Support Coalitions

- Pennsylvania papeersupportcoalition.org/
- Virginia virginiapeerspecialists.org/
- Florida www.facebook.com/PeerSupportCoalitionOfFlorida/
 - Networking, Education & Advocacy
 - Employment
 - Ethics & Values/Standards of Excellence
 - Certification Standards



Health System Interface

- United voice to advise government and funders on topics related to peer support services.
- Promote expansion of the use of peer support specialists (expanded roles & increased availability)
- Offer referrals to persons seeking peer support services.
- Ensure fidelity to peer recovery values and practices

SAMHSA Grant for Development

- Staff at MHAO seek input for grant-writing
- Collaborate with OCA and the Peer Leadership Network
- Learning Event with BRSS TACS about other states' Peer Support Coalitions in January/February 2016
- Planning and Development meetings to be held at Peerpocalypse 2016 in March at Seaside
- Statewide Consumer Networking Proposal submitted to SAMHSA on or before 1/20/2016

What the OCAC Can Do!

- Recommend that the OCAC and the Oregon Health Authority write a **letter of commitment** defining their participation in the new Oregon Peer Support Coalition if the proposal is funded by SAMHSA through a 2016 Statewide Networking Grant.

