

Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare Peer Wellness Specialist Training (PWST) Application Process and Registration for Portland State University (PSU) College Credit

ABOUT THE PEER WELLNESS SPECIALIST TRAINING:

Thank you for your interest in the Cascadia Peer Wellness Specialist Training!

- The Cascadia Peer Wellness Specialist I (Peer Support Specialist) class is a peer support training that is approved by the Oregon Health Authority.
- The Peer Wellness Specialist training is open at reduced cost to both Cascadia staff as well as persons receiving mental health /addiction services at Cascadia. Other persons who are not Cascadia staff or who do not get services at Cascadia may also take this training, but will pay a \$535.00 fee. The cost of the training includes an option to receive four hours of college credit (graduate or undergraduate) from Portland State University.
- Prospective students must complete the Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare Peer Wellness Specialist Training student application form and be accepted into the program before registering with PSU.
- Space in the training is limited to 20 students.

*Please be advised that this is a demanding college level class and significant attendance and participation are required. Due to the high demand for this class, we cannot guarantee that everyone who submits an application will be admitted.

APPLICATION/REGISTRATION PROCESS:

Step One: Application

- All prospective students must complete the Cascadia PWST application form, which is included in this packet.

Step Two: Notification of Acceptance

- Once notification of acceptance in the training has been received, only students that are requesting college credits are required to establish a student account at Portland State University.

If you are a first-time student at PSU, to establish your student account, visit <http://www.Pdx.edu/admissions/continuing-education-applicant> and complete the account generation form. There will be a \$25.00 fee, plus \$2.00 for processing that you can pay online by VISA or MasterCard.

Step Three: Contact Cascadia Peer Wellness Department

- Contact Braunwynn Franklin at Cascadia Peer Wellness Services for your PSU registration form.
- Complete your registration form-- be sure to fill it out completely with your contact information and include your PSU ID number and indicate whether or not you wish to receive credit for the class.
- Return the completed form to Ms. Franklin with your Cascadia course fees (described in Step Four).

Step Four: Payment for Course Fee - (Pick ONE of the following)

PEOPLE WHO ARE CASCADIA CLIENTS/STAFF

A. Cascadia staff or clients who **WANT TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT** for the training:

The fee for class materials is \$35, payable to Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. Your PSU student account will be billed \$240 (\$60 per credit hour/four credits). The PSU credit fee will be electronically billed by the University to your student on-line account around the 15th of each month and is due by the 10th day of the following month.

Please note: PSU does not send billing statements by US Mail. For billing details, visit <http://www.Pdx.edu/bao/payments>. You may pay online by logging in to your student account at my.Pdx.edu or by mailing check or money order directly to the University. PSU accepts payment in the form of check, money order, credit card, and e-check with the following associated fees:

- e-check - \$0 fee. Online setup required during payment process
- Check/money order - \$0 fee when mailed with bill
- MasterCard/American Express – 2.75% of total registration amount
- Visa - \$50 fee

B. Cascadia staff or clients who are **NOT** seeking college credit for the training:

The fee for class materials is \$35, payable to Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.

PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT CASCADIA CLIENTS/STAFF

C. Non-Cascadia individuals who **WANT TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT** for the training:

Your Cascadia class fee is \$295 (\$35 for class materials is included) payable to Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. In addition, your PSU student account will be billed \$240 (\$60 per credit hour/four credits). The PSU credit fee will be electronically billed by the University to your student on-line account around the 15th of each month and is due by the 10th day of the following month.

Please note: PSU does not send billing statements by US Mail. For billing details, visit <http://www.Pdx.edu/bao/payments>. You may pay online by logging in to your student account at my.pdx.edu or by mailing check or money order directly to the University. PSU accepts payment in the form of check, money order, credit card, and e-check with the following associated fees:

- e-Check - \$0 fee. Online setup required during payment process
- Check/money order - \$0 fee when mailed with bill
- Mastercard/American Express – 2.75% of total registration amount
- Visa - \$50 fee

D. Non-Cascadia individuals who are **NOT** seeking college credit for the training:

The class fee is \$535 (\$35 for class materials is included) payable to Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.



Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare Peer Wellness Specialist Training Student Application

Name: _____

Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

1. Why do you want to take this training?

2. What is your highest level of education completed?

3. Do you have an Oregon driver's license? Yes No

4. Rate your skill level on the following computer competencies from 0 to 5:

(0 = not sure; 1= unable to use; 5 = very skilled)

Email

Internet

Microsoft Word

Microsoft Excel

5. Check the box that best describes your living situation?:

Private residence: in own home or apartment, may be with family members or friends

Other (may be foster care, skilled care, group home, homeless, residential treatment facility)

6. What types of experiences have you had in advocating for persons receiving behavioral health services?

Please describe in detail and be specific. (Please use additional paper if needed)

7. What will be your most difficult challenge in attending the Cascadia Peer Support Specialist / Peer Wellness Specialist training? How will you deal with this challenge? (Please use additional paper if needed)

8. Please submit a letter of reference in support of your application from someone who knows you well.

(Reference must be from someone who is not a family member or significant other).

Letters may be sent by US Mail or email to:

Meghan Caughey

847 NE 19th Ave, Suite 100, Portland, OR 97207 **OR** meghan.caughey@cascadiabhc.org

9. Please place your INITIALS next to the statements below that apply.

I am in recovery from a psychiatric diagnosis or Dual Diagnosis (substance use plus mental health issues).

I agree to be open about my history of psychiatric diagnosis in keeping with the values of the Cascadia Peer Wellness Specialists Program.

I completed this application on my own.

I understand that completion of this training does not guarantee a job.

It has been at least one year since I was diagnosed with a psychiatric illness.

10. Are planning on taking this class for college credits?

11. How did you hear about this program?

If other, please list:

Please submit your student application packet by July 31, 2017 to Braunwynn Franklin, Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare Peer Wellness Program Manager by one of the following:

US MAIL SEND TO:	ELECTRONICALLY SEND TO:	DROP OFF:
Attention: Braunwynn Franklin Peer and Wellness Services Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. PO Box 8459 Portland, OR 97207	<u>Email:</u> braunwynn.franklin@cascadiabhc.org <u>Fax:</u> 503.764.9042 "Attention Braunwynn Franklin"	Cascadia Administrative Offices: 847 NE 19th Avenue Portland, OR 97232

If you have questions, please contact Braunwynn Franklin at 503.963.7773.