



## Contracting Opportunity

\*\*\* This ad is closed and is in the archives \*\*\*

**Title:** Expand Certified and Credentialed Peer Capacity - REQUEST FOR APPLICATION  
**Agency:** Mental Health, NYS Office of  
**Division:** Community Budget & Financial Management  
**Contract Number:** TBD  
**Contract Term:** Project Must Be Completed by 3/31/23  
**Date of Issue:** 10/29/2021  
**Due Date/Time:** 02/04/2022 4:00 PM  
REQUEST FOR APPLICATION - Response by EMAIL ONLY (as indicated in RFA)  
**County(ies):** All NYS counties  
**Location:** Statewide  
**Classification:** Medical & Health Care - *Consulting & Other Services* Miscellaneous - *Consulting & Other Services*  
**Opportunity Type:** General  
**Entered By:** Carol Swiderski  
**Description:** UPDATE - 12/13/21

Please be advised that a list of questions posed and responses given for the Expand Certified and Credentialed Peer Capacity – Request for Application will be posted on the NYS Contract Reporter where the RFA is found (specifically on the Documents tab).

The deadline for posing questions is 12:00 pm/Noon on Friday, 12/17. The list will post on the NYS Contract Reporter on Monday, 12/20.

### UPDATE - 12/8/2021

The Request for Application for the Expand Certified and Credentialed Peer Capacity funding opportunity is being updated for the following:

- To Clarify that Public Benefit Corporations and County governments are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity.

- To Clarify that the associated payroll costs from providing recruitment and retention bonuses are eligible costs
- Extend the submission due date to February 4, 2022

The New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) is providing one-time targeted investments to recruit and retain Certified and Credentialed Peer Specialists and Advocates providing services in OMH licensed, funded, and designated voluntary operated programs to improve consumer experience and outcomes. The investments will fall into two distinct categories: Retention Investment and Recruitment Investment.

**Eligible Applicants:**

Any OMH licensed, designated, or funded voluntary operated program that employs, or intends to employ New York Certified Peer Specialists (NYCPS), Credentialed Youth Peer Advocates (CYPA), or Credentialed Family Peer Advocates (CFPA). Henceforth in this document these peer types will be referred to as NYCPS, CYPA, and CFPA.

OMH licensed, funded, or designated voluntary operated program that employs, or intends to employ individuals who are providing direct services as a Peer Specialist or Advocate who do not currently possess a NYCPS, CYPA or CFPA are also eligible for the funds with the requirement that the employee start participation in the certification or credentialing training for the NYCPS, CYPA, or CFPA within six months of receiving the funds and attain provisional certification or complete the credentialing and certification process within the required time frame set forth by the certification/credentialing body.

See attached (Documents Tab) RFA for Full Details

All applications must be submitted via email to:

[PeerSupportGrants@omh.ny.gov](mailto:PeerSupportGrants@omh.ny.gov)

All questions must be submitted directly to Carol Swiderski at:

[carol.swiderski@omh.ny.gov](mailto:carol.swiderski@omh.ny.gov)

All applications are due by 1/3/22.

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Set Aside: No

Total MWBE Participation Goals: 0%

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Contracting Goal: 0%

Disadvantaged Owned Sub-Contracting Goal: 0%

## Contact Information

**Primary contact:** Mental Health, NYS Office of  
Community Budget & Financial Management  
Carol Swiderski  
Contract Management Specialist 2  
44 Holland Avenue - 7th Floor  
Albany, NY 12229  
United States  
Ph: 518-473-1985  
carol.swiderski@omh.ny.gov

**Submit to contact:** Mental Health, NYS Office of  
Community Budget & Financial Management  
Carol Swiderski  
Contract Management Specialist 2  
44 Holland Avenue - 7th Floor  
Albany, NY 12229  
United States  
Ph: 518-473-1985  
carol.swiderski@omh.ny.gov

## Documents

### Supporting document(s) shown below:

The following supporting documents are available for download:

Document title	Description	Type
List of Questions and Answers		pdf
RFA Document - Expand Certified and Credentialed Peer Capacity	Provides details on initiative and application instruction.	pdf

To download these documents, please visit the New York State Contract Reporter website: <http://www.nyscr.ny.gov>

## Ad Updates

Change(s) to the ad are shown below:

Date / time	Description	Changed by
12/17/2021 2:49 PM	Upload list of Q&A	Carol Swiderski
12/13/2021 9:30 AM	Posting of Q&As	Carol Swiderski
12/08/2021 2:05 PM	Language fix	Carol Swiderski
12/08/2021 2:03 PM	Update Due Date	Carol Swiderski
12/08/2021 2:03 PM	Clarify Eligibility	Carol Swiderski
10/29/2021 7:52 AM	Add to Title	Carol Swiderski

## **Bid Results**

Bid Results have not yet been entered.

If you have questions regarding the bid results, contact the issuing agency for more information.

## Awards

Awards have not yet been entered.

If you have questions regarding the awards, contact the issuing agency for more information.

© 2022, Empire State Development <http://www.esd.ny.gov/>