

**Medi-Cal Peer Certification Stakeholder Advisory Council**

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<b>Participants</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Name</b>
Kristen Mungcal	Adrian Bernard
Martha Contreras	Gina Donlucas
Carrie Manning	Eva Veronica Serrano
Clarene White	Steve Castillo
Kristen Gmerek	Affie Tamuno-Koko
John Drebinger	Orlando Vera
Gayle Wiler	Joseph Gray

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Roll Call	We asked the Stakeholder Advisory Council members to type in their name and county in the Zoom chat to indicate their attendance.
Housekeeping	<p>We reviewed the ways to raise your hand once called on, how to mute/un-mute yourself when dialed in by phone. We also provided information regarding Spanish interpretation and live transcripts. Also, we reminded everyone to use the Q&amp;A feature so that their questions will be recorded in the notes. We also gave everyone the reminder to speak for a maximum of one minute during public comments to ensure everyone has a chance to speak.</p> <p>A new Q&amp;A period was added to the meeting agenda and was allotted a ten-minute period. To allow the public to ask any questions without cutting into our Public Comment section. CalMHSA requests all Q&amp;A be limited to one minute per person.</p>
Meeting Agreements	As a group, we reviewed the meeting agreements that have been previously established – no changes were made.
Program Updates	<p><b>Stakeholder Meeting Recap:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For applications for certification submitted from May 1, 2022 – December 18, 2022 - Applications will expire 12/19/2023</li> <li>• Initial administration of the Spanish language exam was released in September 2023- The remaining 15 threshold languages are expected to be released at a future date</li> <li>• Reasonable Accommodation Request Form, updated September 2023</li> <li>• Best Practice Guidelines is available on the certification website</li> <li>• Data dashboard is live on the website</li> </ul> <p><b>Stakeholder Advisory Council Members for 2023-2024!</b></p> <p><b>New Members:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sgt. Major Gregory Coker</li> <li>• Joseph Gray</li> <li>• John Drebinger</li> <li>• Adrian Bernard</li> <li>• Orlando Vera</li> <li>• Gina Donlucas</li> <li>• Eva Veronica Serrano</li> <li>• Kristen Gmerek</li> <li>• Steven Castillo</li> </ul>

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- Gayle Wiler
- Clerissa Griffiths
- Manisha Sheree Jones
- Affie Tamuno-Koko

**Returning members:**

- Kristen Mungcal
- Min Suh
- Martha Contreras
- Patricia Barrett
- Clarene While
- Adelaida Vaca
- Carrie Manning

**Certification Deadlines:**

- Applications for certification submitted from May 1, 2022 – December 18, 2022 - Applications will expire 12/19/2023
- Applications for certification submitted from December 19, 2022 – forward - Applications will expire 12 months (1 year) from date of approval

**Areas of Specialization:**

Training provider information available on CalMHSA certification website:

- Parent, Caregiver, and Family Member Peer
- Peer Services in Crisis Care
- Peer Services for Unhoused
- Peer Services for Justice Involved

**Continuing Education (CE) Training Providers:**

- Application cycle projected to open November 2023. For more information, please visit our website: <https://www.capeercertification.org/become-a-training-provider/>

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	<p><b>Certification Exam in Other Languages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial administration of the Spanish language certification exam 9/27/23 - 10/18/23: The Spanish language initial certification exam administration period concluded.</li> <li>Other languages: The remaining 15 threshold languages are expected to be released at a future date.</li> </ul> <p><b>Office Hours for Training Providers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CalMHSA-approved training providers have an opportunity to join the “office hours” for Peer Certification Program where program staff can answer any questions. Office hours are available every month.</li> <li>An email notification with detailed information will be sent out to training providers in the upcoming week.</li> </ul> <p><b>Training Provider Application Cycle for Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Training (80 hours):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The training provider application for Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Training (“80-hour core competency training”) will close on October 31, 2023.</li> <li>After careful evaluation, CalMHSA has determined that there are already an adequate number of training providers available for the 80-hour core competency training.</li> </ul>
<p>Data Snapshots</p>	<p><b>Peer Certification Data Snapshot:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2734 Peers received scholarship to attend Training and complete the certification process through Initial Certification Pathway</li> <li>1390 Peers received scholarship to complete the certification process through grandparenting Pathway</li> <li>2031 Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialists Certified (CMPSS)</li> <li>921 CMPSS have completed the CalMHSA training: Supervision of Peer Workers</li> <li>174 CMPSS received scholarship for Parent, Caregiver, and Family Member Peer Specialization</li> </ul> <p><b>Certification Pathway:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>68% of applicants in Initial certification Path</li> <li>32% of applicants in Grand-parenting Path</li> </ul> <p><b>Age group:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9% of applicants in the age-group less than 25</li> <li>79% of applicants in the age-group 26-60</li> </ul>

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- 12% of applicants in the age-group 60+

**Race/Ethnicity:**

- 33% of applicants who self-identified as Caucasian/White
- 33% of applicants who self-identified as Hispanic/Latinx
- 16% of applicants who self-identified as Black/African American
- 6% of applicants who self-identified as Asian/Pacific Islander
- 1% of applicants who self-identified as Native American/Alaskan Native
- 8% of applicants who self-identified as Multi-race/Bi-racial

**Gender:**

- 69% of Female applicants
- 27% of Male applicants
- 1% of Transgender applicants
- 2% of Genderqueer applicants

**Proficient Language:**

- 93% of applicants who speak in English
- 5% of applicants who speak in Spanish
- 2% of applicants who speak English and Other languages

**Employment status:**

- 72% of full-time employment applicants
- 15% of Part-time employment applicants

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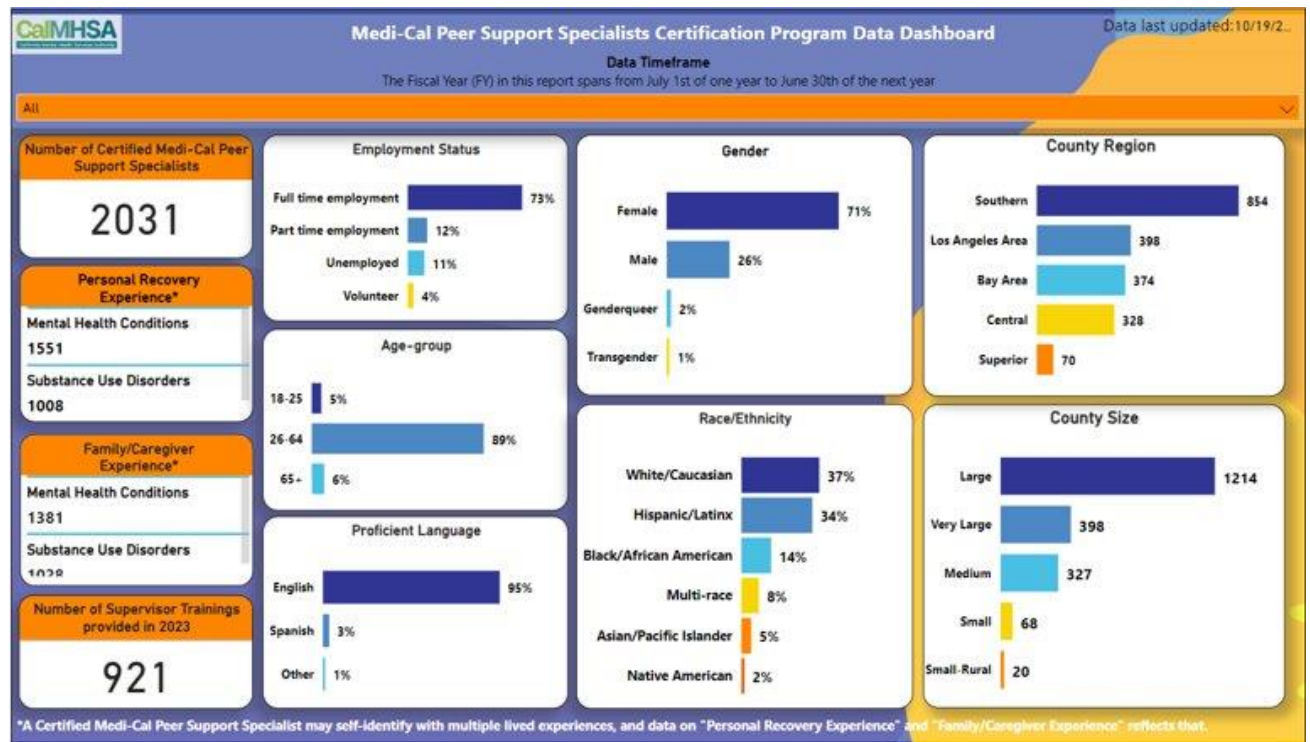
- 10% of Unemployed applicants
- 3% of Volunteer applicants

### Other Findings:

- Timely fee payment and Active communication expedites the application process.

### Data Dashboard:

An interactive Data Dashboard is now available that provides insights into the diverse community of the Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialists.



### Quality Assurance:

CalMHSA Feedback Survey for Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialists is open until 31 Oct 2023, 186 Responses received so far.

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	<p><b>The survey covers the following domains:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training Experience</li> <li>• Exam Experience</li> <li>• Certification Process Experience</li> <li>• Career Placement and Outcomes</li> <li>• Psychological and Economic Well-being</li> <li>• CMPSS Demographic</li> </ul> <p><b>Program Evaluation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contracted with RAND Corporation to conduct an evaluation of the impact of Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist in county behavioral health programs.</li> <li>• Evaluation report will be completed by Dec 2023</li> </ul>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>During Public Comment Stakeholders and Members of the public were inquiring about Continuing Education Units (CEUs). Members of the public wanted to know if the CEUs offered by Los Angeles County will satisfy the Peer Certification CEU requirement. A stakeholder asked if there will be more Peer centered training CEUs provided. A member of the public also asked if current CalMHSA approved training providers will need to apply to be CEU providers.</p>
<p>Upcoming General Meetings</p>	<p><b>Next Meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friday November 17, 2023</li> <li>• Zoom Dial-in Information: Dial-In: 1-669-444-9171 Webinar ID: 895 6617 3539 Weblink: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89566173539">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89566173539</a></li> </ul>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Thank you for your participation!</p>