

# Strengthening the Peer Workforce Continuum



**March 20, 2025** Courtyard Sacramento Cal Expo

**7:45 a.m.**  
Registration & Breakfast

**9 a.m.**  
Welcome

**9:10 – 10 a.m.**  
The Value and Potential of Peer Support Specialists

**10 – 10:30 a.m.**  
History and Current National Landscape in the Peer Workforce

**10:30 – 10:45 a.m.**  
*Break*

**10:45 – Noon**  
Panel Discussion: Integrating Peer Support Specialists into Behavioral Health Programs

**Noon – 1:15 p.m.**  
Lunch

**1:15 – 2 p.m.**  
Data Presentation: Leveraging Peer Support to Improve Client Outcomes

**2 – 2:45 p.m.**  
Understanding the Peer Support Benefit

**2:45 – 3 p.m.**  
*Break*

**3 – 3:45 p.m.**  
Discussion: Promoting a Supportive Recovery-Oriented Work Environment & Successful Employment of Peer Workers

**3:45 – 4 p.m.**  
Closing Session

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