


How We Did...


Free Peer Training & Certification Initiative

In early 2025, CalMHSA took on an ambitious project with the Department of Health Care Services to significantly expand the number of Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialists through online and in-person trainings around the state.

7 
training agencies

13 
trainings held in 13 California counties

21 
hybrid trainings
(virtual & in-person)

9 
fully virtual trainings

"[This course] meant the opportunity to gain a place as a contributing member of society in a positive, productive manner to encourage the movement of recovery wellness in addiction and mental health."

— CMPSS TRAINING PARTICIPANT

503

individuals completed



80
hours of training

245

individuals completed certification – and growing.*

*This number will increase as more of the 503 individuals who completed the training take the certification exam.