

**Peer Support Specialist Certification Program -Training for Parent, Caregiver, Family Member  
Peer Specialization Training Curriculum**

**Questions & Answers**

<b>Project Timeline</b>	
<b>Q</b>	As the bid close date is later than originally projected, does this also affect the agreement start date? Is June 17, 2022, still the projected start date?
<b>A</b>	CaIMHSA anticipates the start date for training entities to be approximately October 2022.

<b>Project Scope of Work</b>	
<b>Q</b>	On Page 6, "Project Scope of Work," the RFP states that selection will be based in part on the "proposed timeline." Could you clarify CaIMHSA's expectations about the timeline?
<b>A</b>	CaIMHSA anticipates the start date for training entities to be approximately October 2022.
<b>Q</b>	On Page 6, "Project Scope of Work," the RFP states that selection will be based in part on the "resources offered." Could you clarify CaIMHSA's definition of "resources" and expectations? Are these resources beyond program delivery itself?
<b>A</b>	"Resources offered" refers to the training curricula content.
<b>Q</b>	Page 6, "Project Scope of Work": "CaIMHSA reserves the right to select one or more providers if deemed the best option." Is it CaIMHSA's intent to select a single bidder? If not, what is the maximum number of bidders who might receive contracts?
<b>A</b>	CaIMHSA does not set a pre-determined number of awards.

<b>Curriculum</b>	
<b>Q</b>	Could CalMHSA share the date by which it would expect to see a finalized curriculum with every core competency incorporated?
<b>A</b>	CalMHSA will approve training curricula that has met the requirement prior to final contract execution with an awardee. The anticipated start date for training entities will be in October 2022.
<b>Q</b>	RI International, a global leader in certification trainings (PET, Advanced Peer Skills, and Peer Supervision), we are in the process of creating new curricula to enhance specialty training areas for certification. We are very much interested in submitting a proposal and would like to do so to meet the proposal deadline. However, the development of our specialty training design won't be completed until September 2022. Would we be able to update our curricula with the new content should we be awarded?
<b>A</b>	CalMHSA anticipates the start date for training entities will be approximately October 2022.
<b>Q</b>	Page 3, "an additional 40 hours of experiential learning specific to the Parent, Family Member, and Caregiver Peer systems": Please provide CalMHSA's working definition of "experiential learning." Does CalMHSA expect all 40 hours to be hands-on, or could part of the 40 hours be in a classroom environment?
<b>A</b>	Experiential learning is a methodology by which a person can apply their learning. It may be done in a variety of ways, such as, hands-on training, case studies, etc.)