

# April 2016 eCast

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## New Vocational Series in Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Recovery!!

A series of vocational recovery curricula is designed for teaching peers, practitioners, program managers, and administrators. These vocational curricula may be a resource for staff training, workshops, seminars, and skill-based university courses.

### [\*Vocational Illness Management and Recovery\*](#)

(VIMR) based on the wildly successful Illness Management and Recovery (IMR), includes a Provider's Guide, Participant Workbook, and Implementation Guide for Supervisors and Administrators.

### [\*Vocational Peer Support\*](#)

(VPS) a specialization for those delivering peer support, includes a Trainer's Guide, Trainee Handbook & Toolkit, PowerPoint Slides, and Implementation Guide for Supervisors and Administrators.

### [\*Vocational Empowerment Photovoice\*](#)

(VEP) using Photovoice tools to inspire people to consider work, includes a Leader's Guide and Workbook.

[\*Empoderamiento vocacional a través de Fotovoz\*](#), the Spanish version of VEP, includes a Guia para el Lider y Guia para los participantes.

**Designed for Use with Training Consultation from the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation.** It is highly recommended that these vocational curricula are paired with installation and expertise training from our trainers at the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation.

For any questions, contact Sue McNamara at: [suemac@bu.edu](mailto:suemac@bu.edu) or [\(617\) 358-2574](tel:617-358-2574)

### **Online course on Job Development and Job Retention for Persons in Recovery**

A course for Employment Specialists, Rehabilitation Counselors, Vocational Peer Specialists and others working to improve employment outcomes.

Enroll in our 10-week online course, 5 online Modules and 6 web/discussion meetings. At the end of each Module is a test and a Discussion Board. The curriculum has been piloted in 4 states and has been delivered to six additional classes of Employment Specialists throughout the U.S. and internationally.

Registration is open now for the next session beginning June 2nd. Be sure to review the website for full information on this program. There is a fee for this course and some CEU's are available. For information or registration please click here for the website or contact the instructor, Joan Rapp, at [617-353-3549](tel:617-353-3549) or [joanrapp@bu.edu](mailto:joanrapp@bu.edu).

### **Online Technical Assistance Response for Employment Service Providers**

The Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation is currently offering an online technical assistance service to organizations providing employment services to people in mental health recovery. As a component of the Center's National Resource Center of Employment and Vocational Recovery, the service will be offered at no expense to the organization. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the National Institute on Disability and Independent Living Research and Rehabilitation (NIDILRR) fund the project.

#### **What is the focus of the service?**

Assisting organizations to build program structures and components to address a range of individual and environmental factors that impact employment and vocational recovery outcomes including:

- Overcoming Stigma
- Employment Services to Special Needs/Underserved Populations
- Integrating the Peer Workforce
- Using Social Capital to Improve Employment Outcome
- Impacting Family and Provider Perceptions of Employment
- Financial Self-Sufficiency and Asset Management

- Benefits Counseling
- Engaging Employers
- Self-Employment and Micro-enterprise Pathways to Employment
- Peer-driven Social Marketing
- Recovery Oriented Employment Approaches
- Promoting Work-Life Balance for Employment Retention
- Peer Employment Support
- Career Development
- Integrating Individual Planning and Support with other Employment Services
- Integrating Employment and Treatment Services

### **How are the services provided?**

The technical assistance will be provided through webinars, conference calls, and email. Following an initial exploration to establish the area of need, the organization will be matched with a consultant who has expertise in the topic area. With support from Center for Psychiatric project leader, the consultant and designated organization staff members will establish the goal of the technical assistance and develop a plan to guide the actions of the consultant and organization staff for accomplishing the goal. More than one technical assistance topic may be addressed and ongoing technical assistance activities will be provided for up to one year after establishing the initial goal. After conclusion of the technical assistance, the organization completes a brief online evaluation survey.

### **How do I begin receiving the technical assistance or find out more about the service?**

To learn more about the service or to begin the technical assistance process, contact:

Rick Forbess, Project Director  
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### **LinkedIn Group: Employing People with Psychiatric Disabilities**

If you are a person in recovery, employer, or supporter of people with psychiatric disabilities, we invite you to join the Center's new LinkedIn group. For more information, or to join, please visit our LinkedIn page.

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*Principled Leadership for Mental Health Systems & Programs*

William Anthony and Kevin Huckshorn

*Readings in Psychiatric Rehabilitation & Recovery*

William Anthony and Kathleen Furlong-Norman

*Towards a Vision of Recovery*

William Anthony

*Recovery from Severe Mental Illnesses, Volumes 1 and 2*

Larry Davidson, Courtenay Harding, and LeRoy Spaniol

*Psychiatric Rehabilitation*

William Anthony, Mikal Cohen, Marianne Farkas, and Cheryl Gagne

*Introduction to Rehabilitation Readiness*

Marianne Farkas, Anne Sullivan-Soydan, and Cheryl Gagne

*Psychological & Social Aspects of Psychiatric Disability*

LeRoy Spaniol, Cheryl Gagne, and Martin Koehler

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