

Peer Specialist Committee of the Recovery Implementation Task Force  
CPS and PPS Coordinators Update January 20, 2017

**Exams**

There were no WI Peer Specialist Certification Exam October – December 2016

**Certified Peer Specialist Website [www.wicps.org](http://www.wicps.org)**

The total October-December 2016 for unique visits to the website were 4,955. This means visits coming from individual IP addresses. For example if a person visits the website once that day it counts as one visit. If a person visits the website 20 times that day from the same IP address it still counts as one visit. For this 90-day period, visits averaged 55 IP addresses each day.

**WI-CPS Bi-weekly Updates**

Email updates are sent to WI-CPS on alternate Mondays (except holidays). These emails contain information on changes to the WI-CPS program and resources on state and national updates on Peer Specialist services, peer-related events and continuing education.

**Automatic Training Notification E-list**

This distribution list currently has 633 (up 48 from last report) individuals /organizations interested in receiving information about the Peer Specialist Program and Peer Specialist trainings.

**WI Certified Peer Specialist Employment Initiative Newsletter**

The Winter issue was posted to the [www.wicps.org](http://www.wicps.org) website and emailed to over 1,000 individuals and organizations.

**Employer Toolkit**

Draft sent to Children Youth and Family and Integrated Services Section of the Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery, for review and feedback from both departments. Next step is to send to selected external reviewers for review and feedback.

**New Exam Study Guide**

Work continues at ACCESS on the development of the exam study guide, the draft is complete for CPS/PPS, they are very similar except for the questions and answer key section.

Daily coordination of the program continues as well as development, marketing and contact with CPS, individuals, employers and other states interested in the WI-CPS program.

## **Parent Peer Specialist**

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### **Activities of Coordinator**

- Attending meetings with the Wisconsin Office of Children's Mental Health, Parent and Youth Partners, Collective Impact Partners (CIPs)
- Developing relationships with stakeholder groups in State
- Promoting and marketing CPS/PPS programs at all levels
- Providing technical assistance to organizations regarding billing/reimbursement for CPPS.
- Building data base for interested people to receive updates when appropriate, currently 56 individual and organizations on this list.
- Building data base for interested people to receive applications to become trainers for the CPPS curriculum.

Persons interested in updates are able to sign up at [www.wicps.org/parent-peer-specialists.html](http://www.wicps.org/parent-peer-specialists.html) to receive new information about PPS program as it becomes available.

Thank you for the important work you do as part of the Peer Specialist Committee of the RITF.

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