6 Steps to a Youth Peer Advocate Professional Credential

Step 1

Complete Level One Online YPA Training

• You will need to complete the Level One online component in order to apply for a Provisional Credential.

Step 2

Apply for the YPA Provisional Credential

• Once you have completed the Level One YPA training you can apply for the Provisional Credential. Once approved, all requirements for the Professional Credential must be completed within 18 months.

Step 3

Complete Level Two Online YPA Training

• To begin pursuing the Professional Credential, complete Level Two of the online YPA training.

Step 4

Complete Level Two In-Person YPA Training

• Once you have completed the Level Two Online Training and you are currently employed providing YPST services, you will need to complete the Level Two in-person training. This includes a 2-day training session.

Step 5

Complete Consultation Calls

 Once you have completed the Level Two in-person training, you will be enrolled in consultation calls through your trainer. Consultation calls are required to receive your certificate of completion.

Step 6

Apply for the YPA Professional Credential

 Once you have completed steps 1-5 you can apply for the Professional Credential.



You can access all links and documentation for the Youth Peer Advocate Credential on www.ftnys.org, under Workforce Development.

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