YOUR NCPS CAREER ROADMAP

Below is a guide to mapping out your career and journey to obtaining the National Certified Peer Specialist (NCPS) certification, the first national advanced peer specialist certification. Contact Mental Health America at 703-838-7537 or head to www.NationalPeerSpecialist.org to learn more!

All NCPS applicants must:

- Have a High School Diploma or General Equivalency Degree (HSD/GED) or higher.
- Attest to lived experience.
- Agree to be bound by the NCPS Code of Ethics.
- Submit all required certification forms and fees.

To maintain the NCPS, peers must:

- Complete 20 hours of eligible Continuing Education every 2 years.
- Practice according to the Code of Ethics.
- Pay the biennial renewal fee before credential expiration.

Decide you want to become a peer support specialist.

Attend an MHA-approved training program.

Attend a state-approved training program.

Obtain state peer support specialist certification.

Document a minimum of 3,000 hours supervised direct peer support.

Complete the online application, including one supervisory letter of recommendation and one professional letter of recommendation.

Pass the NCPS examination.

BECOME A NATIONAL CERTIFIED PEER SPECIALIST (NCPS)!