



# Certificate IV in MENTAL HEALTH PEER WORK

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## CHC43515

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Do you have a lived experience of mental illness as either a consumer or carer?  
Are you living well with Mental illness and wish to use your experience to  
assist others in their recovery journey?

This course will take you through a program based on person-centredness and the  
key principles of peer work which include respect, shared responsibility, and mutual  
agreement of what is helpful.



INFORMATION BROCHURE

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## GROUP 1 SESSION DATES: OCCURRING ON MONDAYS

### 2020

21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER  
12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER  
23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER  
14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### 2021

11<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
1<sup>ST</sup> FEB  
22<sup>ND</sup> FEB  
15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

## GROUP 2 SESSION DATES: OCCURRING ON FRIDAYS

### 2020

25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### 2021

15<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
5<sup>TH</sup> FEB  
26<sup>TH</sup> FEB  
19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

*9 Sessions - Face to Face sessions on Mondays and Fridays with two facilitators.*

**END DATE:** 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021

**TIME:** 9:30AM – 4:30PM *Workshop Style Sessions*

**COST:** Fully subsidised usually \$2,500

**VENUE:** Level 8, 138 Queen St,  
Campbelltown NSW 2560

## APPLICATION:

Please head to this link [www.mdservices.com.au/careers](http://www.mdservices.com.au/careers) to complete the application.

Alternatively call MDS Training on Ph: **(02) 4621 8400** or  
Email: [training2@mdservices.com.au](mailto:training2@mdservices.com.au) for more information.

**NOTE:** Groups are being delivered separately due to the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak.

## TRAINING/CAREER PATHWAYS:

Participants successfully completing this training may wish to apply for entry into the CHC52015 Diploma of Community Services.

The Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work is recognised nationally by the mental health sector, and will enable employment within mental health services as a Peer Support Worker or Coordinator.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Students need to be currently working or volunteering in an environment related to this qualification. You will require access to workplace information. It is recommended that participants should have achieved Year 12 or equivalent level in English Language, Literacy and Numeracy skills.

Your employer or volunteer coordinator will need to complete a statement claiming you are currently working or volunteering.



## **COMPETENCY UNITS IN THIS PROGRAM ARE:**

### **CORE:**

#### **CHCDIV001**

Work with diverse people

#### **HLTWHS001**

Participate in workplace health and safety

#### **CHCMHS008**

Promote and facilitate self-advocacy

#### **CHCMHS007**

Work effectively in trauma informed care

#### **CHCMHS011**

Assess and promote social, emotional and physical wellbeing

#### **CHCPWK001**

Apply peer work practices in the mental health sector

#### **CHCPWK003**

Apply lived experience in mental health peer work

#### **CHCPWK002**

Contribute to the continuous improvement of mental health services

### **ELECTIVES:**

#### **CHCLEG001**

Work legally and ethically

#### **CHCMHS002**

Establish self-directed recovery relationships

#### **CHCPWK005**

Work effectively with carers as a mental health peer worker

#### **CHCDIS008**

Facilitate community participation and social inclusion

#### **CHCGRP001**

Support group activities

#### **CHCCCS019**

Recognise and respond crisis situations

#### **BSBCMM401**

Make a presentation

## **STUDY WORKLOAD:**

7 hours (inclusive of ½ lunch) per session and additional work to be completed in their own time of approximately 10-12 hours per scheduled unit/session.

## **UNIQUE STUDENT IDENTIFIER (USI):**

All students studying a nationally recognised qualification must have a USI before enrolling. If you do not already have a USI, go to [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au) to create one.

## **COURSE MATERIALS:**

All materials including study notes, activities, handouts and assessment tools are provided with no additional costs.

## **ASSESSMENT AND TRAINING:**

All training is provided in the classroom in workshop format for each scheduled session. Assessment consists of different activities for each unit. Reasonable adjustment will be made to any assessment tools to accommodate individual need. Refer to the course outline for details of the assessment tools utilised for each unit or set of units.

## **CLIENT SUPPORT SERVICES:**

MDS Training offers support to all their students. Support may be related to disability, literacy, language or other concerns or barriers. You can contact the following people for assistance; the facilitator of your training, the training coordinator or the Manager MDS Training. The contact details are on this document.

### COMPLAINTS:

MDS Training has a procedure for anyone wanting to make a complaint. You can speak to your facilitator, the training coordinator or the Manager MDS Training. All complaints are recorded and outcomes are reported. MDS Training uses complaints as part of its continuous improvement process. Forms for complaint are available from the website or you can receive one by mail or email. If you experience difficulties filling in the form contact the Manager MDS Training for assistance. This form is also provided on enrolment.

### APPEALS:

MDS Training has a procedure for students who want to appeal any decisions affecting their outcomes. This could include competency, recognition of prior learning, extensions or removal from a course. The form is available from the manager and assistance to complete the form can be provided. The form can also be emailed or posted to you, it is also available on the website. This form is also provided on enrolment.



*We care about our students and their development and education.  
We will support all our students throughout their course of study.*

Vanessa Vale, Manager



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