



Long Island RPC Peer Supervision Learning Collaborative
Thursday, 4/23/2020, 11 am – 12 pm
Held thru Go To Meeting

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Introductions: Meeting convened at 11:02. Alyssa introduced self as new RPC Coordinator and gave Peer Supervision background. Participants who called in introduced themselves, all others were noted on an attendance sheet.

Attendance: Alyssa Gleason, RPC Coordinator, Liz Perry, Liz Smith, Adam Berkowitz, Emily Childress (Southern Tier RPC Coordinator), Mary Stebe, Keisha Wilson-Graham, Beth Solar (Tug Hill RPC Coordinator), Jeanne Cacciatore, Michelle Revello, Yvonne Rivera, Kat Gaylord (AD RPC), Alex Frisina, Brian Matonti, Jennifer Lino, Jennifer Brock, Ashley Vuolo, Tracy Puglisi, Sarah Walsh, Jana Maynard, Tara Fredericks, Michelle Tighe, Joyce Law, Carla Carlyon

What Do Peer Services Look Like During the State of Emergency: Discussion around how peer services are operationalized at this time, challenges and successes. It was noted that YPA staff are struggling with the isolation themselves and only remote access to their natural supports. Agencies have increased individual/group supervision for their peer workforce. Success is being able to connect people sooner to supports. It was noted that for clients who were used to face to face they have not adapted as quickly to the telemental health way, but those who came in this way are doing well with it and engaging.

Resources for Peers: Reviewed compiled list. Alex Frisina, YOUTH POWER, spoke about upcoming resources for Youth Peer Advocates, some of which can be open to anyone, agencies have their own support groups for peer workers. Alyssa asked for anyone to send in other resources and she will compile and distribute to the group.

Future of Telemental Health for Peer Services: Discussion about how telemental health has helped peer services and the barriers that have also come with it. It was pointed out that it is harder to build rapport through telemental health.

Open Floor: The group talked about how there needs to be more education for the community as a whole, as well as within agencies and within the group regarding peer services and the different services that are available in the different systems. Group felt that meeting monthly during the State of emergency would be helpful. Alyssa will schedule a meeting in May.

Meeting closed at 12:00 PM.