DMH CERTIFIED PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL - INFORMATION GATHERING FORM

On the paper provided or a separate piece of paper, please answer ALL of the questions below. Answers to the following questions weigh heavily on determining acceptance into the training. You may attach a separate sheet if needed.

| 1. | Please discuss your behavioral health challenges and describe any services you are receiving or have received. |
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| 2. | What about your life story might inspire someone who is still struggling? |
| 3. | Tell us about the people who support or supported you, how they provided support and what support was helpful and meaningful in your recovery. |

| 4. | What have been your experiences, successes and challenges with employment/school in the past? |
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| 5. | Why are you choosing a career as a young adult certified peer support specialist and what have you done to prepare yourself to embark upon this career? |
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| 6. | What are activities and interest you enjoy, and how do they help your own recovery? |
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| 7. | Please describe your strengths and challenges as they relate to the delivery of peer support. This can include personal obstacles that you will need to overcome as well as system challenges that you anticipate. |
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| 8. | Describe any volunteer work in which you have been involved (tutoring or mentoring other youth, school club leader/member, volunteer activities with faith communities or community volunteer activities such as Habitat for Humanity, Adopt a Highway, etc.) |
| 9. | Is there anything else you would like us to know when considering you for this training? |
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