DMH CERTIFIED PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL ASSURANCE AND RELEASE FORM

The Department of Mental Health, PLACE Review Board reserves the right to request further information from all employers and other persons listed on the application form. The Board and its review committees also reserve the option of requesting an oral interview with the applicant. This information will be used strictly to evaluate the professional competence of the applicant and will be kept confidential by the Board. Further information may also be requested to verify training, employment history, etc. This information is not available to others outside of the certification process without written consent from the applicant.

"I give my permission for the PLACE Review Board and its staff to investigate my background as it relates to statements contained in this application. I understand that intentionally false or misleading statements or intentional omissions shall result in the denial or revocation of certification."

"I consent to the release of information contained in my application, certification file or other pertinent data submitted to or collected by the PLACE Review Board to officers, members and staff of the aforementioned Board."

"I further agree to hold the PLACE Review Board, its officers, Board members, employees and examiners free from any civil liability for damages or complaints by reason of any action that is within the scope of the performance of their duties which they may take in connection with this application and subsequent examinations and/or failure of the PLACE Review Board to issue certification."

"I am publicly disclosing myself as a current or former recipient of mental health and/or substance use services or a parent/caregiver of child who is raising or has raised a child with an emotional, social, or behavioral disability. Upon award of certification, I understand that my name and my certification status will be included in a public-access database of Certified Peer Support Specialist Professionals."

"I hereby affirm that the information provided on this form is correct and that I believe that I am qualified for the level of certification for which I am applying."

Print Full Name Date

Signature