DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH) Community Support Specialist Certification Web-Based Training Course List

Basic Core Examination Courses (All Courses Required)

- Case and Care Management
- Recognizing and Responding to a Person in Crisis
- Cultural Competence
- Best Practices for Documenting the Treatment Planning Process
- Overview of Assertive Community Treatment
- Psychopharmacology Basics for Behavioral Health Professionals
- Approaches to Person-Centered Planning in Behavioral Health
- Safety In the Field
- Bullying Prevention and Intervention Strategies
- Boundaries in the Treatment Relationship
- Recovery Principles and Practices in Behavioral Health Treatment

Community Support Specialist – Electives (Minimum of 2 courses)

- A Multicultural Approach to Recovery-Oriented Practice
- Overview of Mood and Anxiety Disorders in Children for Paraprofessionals
- Schizophrenia Spectrum and other Psychotic Disorders
- Community-Based Interventions to Reduce Suicide Risk
- Strategies for Behavioral Health Professionals to Manage Chronic Stress

Community Support Specialist – Population Specific Courses (Minimum of 1 course, specific to the population(s) served)

- Supporting Persons with Serious Mental Illness Toward Recovery
- Positive Behavior Support for Children for Paraprofessionals
- Providing Support for Challenging Behavior