

## Developing Our Workforce While Meeting A Client Need

For successful treatment outcomes, clients must be able to easily access services and remain engaged in those services. The best predictor of client success lies in ensuring clients have access to services in the community after formal treatment.



In the current delivery system of treatment services, there is often a gap in the formal process of helping individuals progress from active treatment to a sustained meaningful long-term recovery. Clients often need assistance in connecting to natural supports existing in the community.

To fill this gap, SRS Office of Addiction and Prevention Services (AAPS) has developed a new Peer Mentor Certification Program and Training.

This training is open to all interested parties, but in order to be eligible for Medicaid or block grant reimbursement\*\*, agencies must:

1. Be participating members of the Value Options network to provide substance abuse services and
2. Make application and meet all requirements for training and supervision as stipulated by Addiction and Prevention Services

*\*\*Peer Mentor services may only be provided to clients receiving outpatient services.*

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## Certified Peer Mentor Training Program

*A billable modality  
to aid in the recovery of persons  
receiving Medicaid or  
Federal Block Grant Funding*



**One final course offered yet this year:**

- **April 3rd, Wichita**  
Parallax  
830 S. Hillside

**6 CEUs provided to those attending**



## Billable Service Designed to Help Programs Help Clients

This new rung in the addiction workforce ladder enables individuals in recovery to serve as Certified Peer Mentors to those still in treatment.

To be eligible to serve as a Certified Peer Mentor, individuals must secure the following:

1. A high school diploma or GED
2. One year living clean and sober
3. This training which will award 6 CEUs and cover:
  - Ethics and confidentiality
  - Roles of the peer mentorship
  - Mentoring with individuals
  - Mentorship within the agency
  - Mentorship within the context of the community
  - Mentorship and the role of supervision in the agency

## Training Date and Location

***Training is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily with a break for lunch. Registration begins promptly at 8:30 a.m.***

**Workshop Fee: \$60**

The following date and location is the last one available for FY10 so that programs can ramp up this service quickly:

- **April 3rd at Parallax Out Patient  
830 S. Hillside, Wichita**

Complete information about this new certification can be found at:

**[www.srskansas.org/hcp/AAPSHome.htm](http://www.srskansas.org/hcp/AAPSHome.htm)**

## Registration Form

(Please copy this form as needed for additional attendees.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Workshop Fee: \$60**

**Please mark the training you will attend:**

April 3rd Wichita .....

**TOTAL AMOUNT ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Registration begins at 8:30

Workshops are 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Payment By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check** \_\_\_\_\_ **Credit Card**

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**Exp. Date**      **mo / yr**

**Please make checks payable to KAAP  
and mail with registration form to:**

**KAAP**

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### About Our Trainer

Ruth N. Owens-Jurgens, MS, L.C.P., L.M.L.P., AAPS, C.A.D.C. III, has been a member of KAAP since 1994. She earned a Master's Degree with an emphasis in Clinical Psychology from Emporia State University in 1991. She has worked in both mental health and addiction counseling.

Ruth has served as Program Coordinator of WATCH a program within the Community Mental Health Center of Crawford County and as residential addiction counselor at Valley Hope. She is currently the Addiction and Prevention Studies Program Specialist at Allen Community College.

Ruth sits on the Board of the Kansas Association of Addiction Professionals (KAAP), is Chair of the KAAP Ethics Committee, the Chair of the KAAP Special Issues Committee, a Co-Chair of the KAAP/AAPS Educators Committee. She serves as President Elect of the Kansas Citizens Committee (KCC).