

NAADAC Announces New Recovery to Practice Certificate Program

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As you know, recovery has always had a stronghold in the addiction profession and its workforce. In fact, the addiction profession, founded by individuals in recovery, laid the groundwork to provide addiction services within a recovery orientation. As such, the addiction profession has been using recovery-oriented skills and practices since its foundation, but there has not been a formalized way to demonstrate an addiction professional's recovery-orientation and advanced education—until now.

NAADAC is excited to announce its new *Recovery to Practice (RTP) Certificate Program* that is now available to all professionals. The *Recovery to Practice (RTP) Certificate Program* is designed to further hasten awareness, acceptance, and adoption of recovery-based practices in the delivery of addiction-related services and now affords addiction professionals the opportunity to demonstrate to employers, third-party payors, and clients their advanced education in recovery-oriented concepts, skills, and practices.

The *Recovery to Practice (RTP) Certificate Program* builds on SAMHSA's definition, 10 guiding principles, and fundamental components of recovery, as well as NAADAC's work over the past three years to develop a multi-level, national Recovery to Practice training curriculum. You probably have already satisfied many of the requirements of this certificate through your participation in NAADAC's Webinar Series, Online Courses, and Independent Study Courses over the past few years!

To qualify for the Certificate, addiction practitioners must:

- Provide documentation of 30 contact hours of continuing education from the "Approved Education List" of recovery-oriented education and training (see page 6 for list);
- Complete the application (available at www.naadac.org/rtp-certificate-program); and
- Submit payment (\$50 for NAADAC members; \$100 for non-members).

By completing the required education, you will receive a Professional Certificate to hang on your wall and include in your portfolio. **PLEASE NOTE: This certificate is meant purely as an educational tool and does not qualify certificate holders to counsel those with addictions.**

For more information, please visit www.naadac.org/rtp-certificate-program or contact NAADAC by email at naadac@naadac.org or phone at 800.548.0497.



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Recovery to Practice Certificate Program Approved Education List

REQUIRED COURSEWORK: Each applicant must complete ALL NINE webinars from the Recovery to Practice (RTP) Training Curriculum (15.5 CEs):

- *Defining Addiction Recovery* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *What Does Science Say? Reviewing Recovery Research* webinar (2 CEs)
- *The History of Recovery in the United States and the Addiction Profession* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *Defining Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC)* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *Understanding the Role of Peer Recovery Coaches in the Addiction Profession* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *Including Family and Community in the Recovery Process* webinar (2 CEs)
- *Collaborating with Other Professions, Professionals, and Communities* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *Using Recovery-Oriented Principles in Addiction Counseling Practice* webinar (2 CEs)
- *Exploring Techniques to Support Long-Term Addiction Recovery* webinar (2 CEs)

All webinars are available on-demand and can be completed from your home or office. After you participate in these webinars, you are more than halfway done! Obtain the rest of the required education by selecting from over 20 different topics from the "Flexible Coursework" list below.

FLEXIBLE COURSEWORK: Each applicant must select from the following list to gain the remaining required continuing education hours (14.5 CEs):

- *The Addiction Professional's Mini-Guide to Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)* webinar (3 CEs)
- *Blending Solutions: Integrating Motivational Interviewing with Pharmacotherapy* Online Course (2 CEs)
- *Combat Trauma and Addiction* webinar (2 CEs)
- *Conflict Resolution for Clients and Professionals* on-demand webinar (2 CEs)
- *Conflict Resolution for Professionals and Clients in Recovery* Independent Study Course (11 CEs)

- *Cultural Considerations for the Ethically Aware Clinician* webinar (1 CE)
- *Impacts of Addiction on the Family System and Children* webinar (1 CE)
- *The Ins & Outs of Medication-Assisted Treatment & Recovery for Alcohol Dependence* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *The Ins & Outs of Medication-Assisted Treatment & Recovery for Opioid Dependence* webinar (1.5 CEs)
- *Integrated Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for PTSD* webinar (1 CE)
- *Integrating Treatment for Co-occurring Disorders: An Introduction to What Every Addiction Counselor Needs to Know Independent Study Course* (18 CEs)
- *Integrating Treatment for Co-Occurring Disorders: An Introduction to What Every Addiction Counselor Needs to Know* webinar (2 CEs)
- *Medication Management for Addiction Professionals: Campral Series Independent Study Course* (7 CEs)
- *Motivational Interviewing: Clinical Practice with Pharmacotherapy* Online Course (1.5 CEs)
- *New Innovations with Opioid Treatment: Buprenorphine Independent Study Course* (12 CEs)
- *New Innovations with Opioid Treatment: Buprenorphine* Online Course (1.5 CEs)
- *New Horizons: Integrating Motivational Styles, Strategies and Skills with Pharmacotherapy Independent Study Course* (15 CEs)
- *Peer Recovery Support Services – Initiating, Stabilizing and Sustaining Long-term Recovery* webinar (1 CE)
- *Pharmacotherapy: Integrating New Tools into Practice Independent Study Course* (15 CEs)
- *Providing Effective Opioid Dependence Treatment - Connecting Science with Treatment* webinar (1 CE)
- *Referring to Mutual Support Groups - Distinguishing between the Choices* webinar (1 CE)
- *Rein in Your Brain* webinar (2 CEs)
- *Spirituality & Recovery: The Art and Science of Healing* webinar (1 CE)

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Course Topics Include:

- Co-Occurring disorders
- Cognitive behavioral & Cognitive Processing Therapy
- Trauma, post-traumatic stress disorder
- Relapse prevention
- Pain and addiction
- Psychopharmacology
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy
- SAMHSA Treatment Improvement Protocols (TIPs)
- Ethics & Supervision
- And more...



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