

From: Magellan Healthcare

Subject: Global Peer Support Celebration Day Webinars

In recognition of Global Peer Support Celebration Day on the third Thursday in October, Magellan is hosting two webinars designed for agencies that currently offer, or are preparing to launch, adult peer support, youth peer support, family peer support, and recovery coaching services. Certificates of completion will be provided for both webinars to participants who attend the full live session.

Webinar 1: An Introduction to Youth Peer Support: Best Practices and Implementation Strategies

Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

1-2:30pm MDT / 12-1:30pm PDT

Format: Live via Zoom (registration required)

Register here:

https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MbghLVsFTMGcN6RkWaOvDg

What we'll cover:

- The goals and purpose of youth peer support (YPS).
- Best practices for youth engagement, goal setting, and communicating with parents/caregivers.
- A look at different YPS models across various service contexts.
- Common practices that do not align with state or program guidance.
- Where to find additional training and implementation resources.

Who should attend:

- Provider agencies and youth peer support supervisors.
- Clinical or operational staff involved in program design or delivery.
- Youth peer support providers.

Presenters:

Emily Ferris, director of recovery and resiliency services Amber Leyba-Castle, youth empowerment manager, Idaho

Webinar 2: Understanding and Avoiding Peer Drift in Peer Support Services

Date: Wednesday, October 15, 2025 1-2:30pm MDT / 12-1:30pm PDT

Format: Live via Zoom (registration required)

Register here:

https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CNIWWk3nSFKjNSn7x056iA

What We'll Cover:

- What peer drift is and how to recognize it.
- Common causes and signs.
- How peer drift can impact your role and your program.
- Strategies to stay grounded in the values and practices of peer support.
- How to maintain role clarity while working in interdisciplinary teams.

Who should attend

- Provider agencies and peer support, youth support, family support, recovery coaching supervisors.
- Clinical or operational staff involved in program design or delivery.
- Peer support specialists, youth peer support providers, family support partners, recovery coaches.

Facilitators:

Jenna Woodward, recovery and resiliency trainer, New Mexico Jess Wojcik, manager, recovery and resiliency services, Idaho

This is a space for honest reflection, shared wisdom, and real-world tools to help you protect what makes peer support powerful.

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We look forward to learning and growing together.

Questions?

Contact the Magellan Recovery and Resiliency team at recoveryresiliency@MagellanHealth.com.