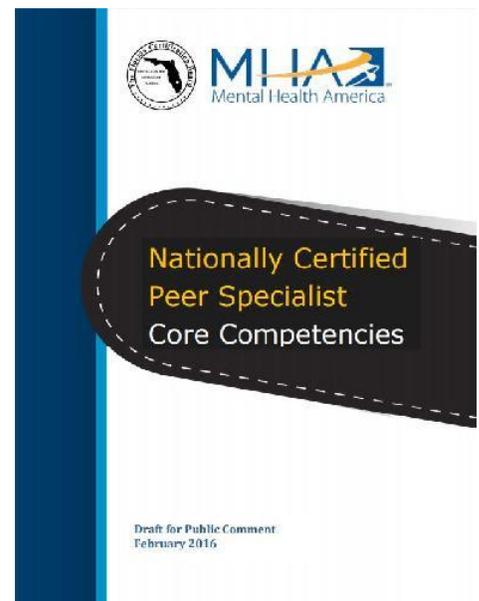




Nationally Certified Peer Specialist Core Competencies Survey for Public Comment

Mental Health America is developing a national, accredited [certification for peer support](#). This certification will set new standards in the field. It is designed to meet and exceed the standards used in public behavioral health around the country and will require enhanced training and substantial work experience. A major purpose of the credential is to meet the needs of private health insurers and private practitioners. Expansion of peer support into the private sector will open up new career paths and opportunities, which have previously been unexplored.



We are asking for public comment on the first draft of our core competencies report. Please [visit our webpage](#) to view a short introductory video and provide us with your feedback about our blueprint for the certification.

This certification has been peer initiated and conceived. We have worked with a stellar

and skill sets needed in peer support and adhere to the core principles of shared experience, empathy, mutuality, and motivation that have made it so successful.

We look forward to your assistance in designing this [next step in peer support](#).

Thank you,

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