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Vision: Establishing a culture of people helping people.

Mission: The National Association of Peer Program Professionals helps adults establish, supervise, maintain, and evaluate peer programs so that trained peers may help each other with maximum effectiveness.

The National Association of Peer Program Professionals (NAPPP) was established after the dissolution of The National Association of Peer Programs, originally founded in 1984 as the National Peer Helpers Association. Using the NAPPP Standards and Ethics as a guiding principle, NAPPP helps adults through networking, leadership training, certification, and programmatic problem solving. NAPPP is a national organization with recognized Standards and Ethics, effective programs, and an evaluation protocol. We are a member of the National Organization of Youth Serving (NOYS) organizations and a partner in other national endeavors, such as National Youth Service Day, National Youth Violence Prevention, Stop Bullying Now! Campaign, National Sleep Awareness, National Alliance to Prevent Underage Drinking, Screening for Mental Health, the Afterschool Alliance, and Global Youth Justice.

NAPPP certification programs intend: to promote professional standards, practices and ethics; to encourage self-assessment by offering guidelines for achievement; to improve performance by encouraging participation in a continuing program of professional growth and development; to acknowledge a level of educational training essential for effective peer program administration and/or operations; to foster professional contributions to the field; to maximize the benefits received by the peer program community. NAPPP offers Certification for Professionals in Peer Programs (CPPE), Certification for Peer Programs (CPP), Certification for Organizations with Peer Programs (COPP), Certification for Peer Curricula (CPC) and Certification for Trainers/Consultants (CTC). See http://www.peerprogramprofessionals.org/certification_programs/.

Please join with other peer program professionals and enjoy these benefits:

- Being part of a national professional peer program movement
- Training Institutes with opportunities for learning training strategies or revitalizing training strategies
- Networking opportunities with peer program advocates and professionals throughout the country
- Nationally recognized Programmatic Standards and Ethics
- A Rubric whose intention is to improve the quality of peer helping programs
- Resource Center offerings
- Opportunities for individual, program, and curriculum certification
- Perspectives in Peer Programs (Peer Program Journal emailed directly to members)
- Newsletter emailed 9 times per year
- Access to members-only section of the NAPPP web site

WHAT ARE PEER PROGRAMS?

Peer programs are a variety of supportive services initiated by peers in diverse settings. Often, peer helpers are young people, trained and supervised by peer program professionals, who adhere to ethics and standards endorsed by peer helping professionals and NAPPP. Peer helpers often become preventive agents who identify problems and encourage others to seek the necessary help from appropriate professionals. Peer helpers provide people with opportunities for learning, guidance, emotional support, and growth which translates to reduced drug and alcohol involvement, higher academic skills, reduced HIV/AIDS/STI transmission, reduced unintended pregnancy, reduced conflict, increased understanding of differences, and increased service to others. By helping others, peer helpers often increase their own self-esteem and personal functioning.

Peer programs are simply people helping other people. When people experience frustrations, worries, concerns, and other life events, they typically turn to their friends, not professionals, for help, advice, practical assistance, and support.

The peer programs that NAPPP supports have various names such as peer helping, peer counseling, peer ministry, peer education, peer leadership, peer health education, peer mediators, peer tutoring, and peer mentoring. Peers do not replace licensed or certified professionals or practitioners, but often serve as an extension of the services these professionals provide. Through much research and evaluation, peer programs have been found to be one of the most proven and effective prevention strategies.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Annual Membership Dues

Individual or Organization \$50.00

Post-Secondary Student \$30.00

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Please Invoice

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Check One: ___ Purchase order ___ Check Enclosed ___ Visa Card ___ Master Card

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