

Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515) 2021-22 Program - Elsternwick

Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515) is a nationally recognised qualification. The qualification was developed through the combined efforts of government and non-government agencies, union representatives and professional bodies as well as workplace representatives who collaborated on a national project team. The CHC43515 qualification provides training options for a career path in a range of sectors in Community Services and Health in the area of Mental Health.

This specialist, nationally recognised course has been developed by Mental Health Victoria and is specifically designed for workers who have lived experience as either a consumer or carer, and who work in mental health services in roles that support, mentor and advocate for consumers or carers. To enrol in the program the participants need to be currently working in the sector at least one full day per week or be able to organise their own work placement consisting of 160 hours total over the duration of the course.

Course Outline & Structure

The course incorporates the following units in the following order:

CHCPWK001	Apply peer work practices in the mental health sector
CHCPWK004 / 005	Work effectively in consumer/carer mental health peer work
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
CHCPRP003	Reflect on and improve own professional practice
CHCPWK003	Apply lived experience in mental health peer work
CHCMHS003	Provide recovery-oriented MH services
CHCGRP002	Plan and conduct group activities
CHCMHS008	Promote and facilitate self-advocacy
CHCADV002	Provide advocacy and representation services
CHCMHS007	Work effectively in trauma informed care
CHCMHS010	Implement recovery oriented approaches to complexity
CHCMHS011	Assess and promote social, emotional and physical wellbeing
CHCPWK002	Contribute to the continuous improvement of mental health services for consumers and carers
HLTWHS001	Participate in WHS
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people

Course Duration & Delivery Dates

Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work – Elsternwick 2021-22 Course Delivery Dates

Location: **Mental Health Victoria**
Level 2, 22 Horne Street
Elsternwick, VIC, 3185

Applications close Friday 26th February, 2021

Pre-enrolment interviews

Pre-enrolment interviews will be held via zoom either Monday 15th or Tuesday 16th of March, 2021. All students must complete an interview and pre-training review process prior to acceptance into the course.

Program orientation

Tuesday 30th March, 2021 9.30am – 12.00pm – students **must** attend the whole session

Workshops

CHCPWK001 – Tuesday 13th April, 2021
 CHCPWK004 / 005 – Tuesday 11th May, 2021
 CHCLEG001 – Tuesday 8th June, 2021
 CHCPRP003 – Tuesday 6th July, 2021
 CHCPWK003 – Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th August, 2021
 CHCMHS003 – 31st August, 2021
 CHCGRP002 – 28th September, 2021
 CHCMHS008 – 26th October, 2021
 CHCADV002 – 23rd November, 2021

CHCMHS007 – Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th February, 2022
 CHCMHS010 – Tuesday 15th March, 2022
 CHCMHS011 – Tuesday 12th April, 2022
 CHCPWK002 – Tuesday 10th May, 2022
 HLTWHS001 – Tuesday 7th June, 2022
 CHCDIV001 – Tuesday 5th July, 2022

All workshops are held 9.30am-1.00pm via zoom.

Weekly extended learning sessions will also be available each Tuesday from 9.30-10.30am
 Students must attend a minimum of 80% of workshops to graduate.

Course Registration & Enrolment

Mental Health Victoria is now taking course registrations from interested staff and organisations. Please complete the Mental Health Victoria Registration and Supervisor Endorsement forms attached to this flyer and return to Mental Health Victoria. We advise you to register early, as applications will be processed in order of receipt, and **close Friday 26th February, 2021**.

Although your training and assessment will be conducted by Mental Health Victoria, you will be enrolled with Wodonga TAFE: RTO 3097. Completion of the course will result in a National AQF Qualification and Course Certificate awarded through Wodonga TAFE. Completion of units but not the full course will result in a Statement of Attainment awarded through Wodonga TAFE.

Course Fees:

This course is now available under the Free TAFE initiative and the Job Trainer initiative for eligible applicants.

You can check your eligibility for free TAFE here: [Are you eligible for a Free TAFE course? \(educationapps.vic.gov.au\)](https://educationapps.vic.gov.au/educationapps/vic/eligibility-checker/index.html)

Job Trainer information available here:

[https://www.skills.vic.gov.au/s/jobtrainer#:~:text=The%20Victorian%20Government%20has%20partnered,\(COVID%2D19\)%20crisis](https://www.skills.vic.gov.au/s/jobtrainer#:~:text=The%20Victorian%20Government%20has%20partnered,(COVID%2D19)%20crisis)

If you are not eligible for a free TAFE enrolment, course fees are as follows:

Consumer Peer:	\$652.50
Carer Peer:	\$637.50

ALL students are also required to pay a \$60 materials fee at time of enrolment.

These fees are the concession rates and are applicable to **all** students. They are heavily subsidised by the Department of Health & Human Services through scholarship funding made available to Mental Health Victoria.

Fee disclaimer:

The published student tuition fees are indicative only, and can be subject to change given individual circumstances at the time of enrolment.

Full payment or setting up a payment plan with Wodonga Institute of TAFE is required at time of enrolment – more information about fees and payment plans will be provided at interview.

Please see below for further information about government subsidised training fees.

Government subsidised training means the Government may contribute to the cost of your training. To be eligible for Government subsidised training (Skills First), an individual must be either:

- i) an Australian citizen;
- ii) a holder of a permanent visa; or
- iii) a New Zealand citizen;

and

either:

- i) under 20 years of age (as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training) and enrolling in nationally recognised training or enrolling in training in the Victorian Certificate of Education or the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning;
- ii) over 20 years of age (as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training) and enrolling in nationally recognised training in a Foundation Skills List course;
- iii) over 20 years of age (as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training) and enrolling in nationally recognised training as an Apprentice (not Trainee);
- iv) over 20 years of age (as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training) and enrolling in training in the Victorian Certificate of Education or the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (Intermediate or Senior); or
- v) over 20 years of age (as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training) and enrolling in nationally recognised training in a course that is at a higher qualification level than the highest qualification held at the time of the scheduled commencement of training.

In addition an individual is only eligible to:

- a) commence a maximum of two courses subsidised through the Skills First Program in a calendar year.;
- b) undertake a maximum of two courses subsidised through the Skills First Program at any one time;
- c) commence a maximum of two government subsidised courses at the same level within the AQF in their lifetime; and
- d) commence a maximum of two government subsidised accredited courses with the title 'Course in...' in their lifetime.

You can check your eligibility at the following website

<https://www.skills.vic.gov.au/victorianskillsgateway/Students/Pages/vtg-eligibility-indicator.aspx>

If you are eligible for Government subsidised training you may also be eligible for a concession rate. To be eligible for the concession rate you must be eligible for a government subsidised training place and at course commencement, you must hold a current and valid;

- Health Care card (includes dependent spouse or child of a card holder)
- Pensioner concession card (includes dependent spouse or child of a card holder)
- Veterans Gold Card, or
- Are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent

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In completing this form I am registering for the following course:		
Elsternwick (5) commencing in March 2021		
Name:	DOB:	
Organisation:	Position Title:	
I am enrolling as a: Consumer peer worker <input type="checkbox"/> Carer peer worker <input type="checkbox"/> (please select one only)		
Concession Card Holder: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Work Postal Address:		
Town:	Postcode:	
Work Telephone:	Work Mobile:	
Work Email:		
Home Address:		
Town:	Postcode:	
Home Telephone:	Personal Mobile:	
Home Email:		
Which is your preferred email address? Work <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> (please select one only)		
What is your highest qualification?		
When did you obtain this qualification?		
How long have you worked in the Mental Health Sector?		
Total hours worked per week (Please include all paid peer work roles) Please attach a copy of your current position description(s)		
Do you have any issues or concerns regarding your language or literacy skills? Yes No If yes, the course coordinator will discuss your needs during the pre-training review, prior to enrolment.		
Do you have skills in the following:	Please circle	
Information Technology applications?		
Email	YES	NO
Internet	YES	NO
Word processing programs	YES	NO
If no to any of these, the course coordinator will discuss your needs prior to enrolment.		
Who will be paying the course fees? Please circle	Myself	My Employer

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This course of study requires that participants have actively engaged in their own recovery journey or directly supported the journey of a person with a mental illness as a carer, and are able to appropriately describe and share that experience when supporting others.

Please describe (in 400-500 words, attach additional pages if needed) how you have applied your lived experience of growth and recovery to support others. Please include a discussion or example of how supporting someone as a friend may be different from supporting someone in your peer worker role.

<p>As part of the registration process we need your work supervisor to complete a Supervisor Endorsement Form</p>	
<p align="center">Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515) Supervisor Endorsement Form</p>	
<p>Name of staff member registering:</p>	
<p>Organisation:</p>	
<p>Name of supervisor / Team leader:</p>	
<p>Contact Number of supervisor / Team leader:</p>	
<p>Email Address of supervisor / Team leader:</p>	
<p>I endorse (worker's name)..... participation in this program and will during the year provide the necessary opportunities, supervision and feedback to help facilitate application of classroom learning into the workplace</p>	
<p>Signed:</p>	
<p>Date:</p>	

Please complete the Registration and Supervisor Endorsement forms and return to:

Mental Health Victoria
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