

**WAC 246-341-0724 Outpatient services—Recovery support—Peer support mental health services.** (1) Peer support mental health services provide a wide range of activities to assist an individual in exercising control over their own life and recovery process through:

- (a) Developing self-advocacy and natural supports;
- (b) Maintenance of community living skills;
- (c) Promoting socialization; and

(d) The practice of peer counselors sharing their own life experiences related to mental illness to build alliances that enhance the individual's ability to function.

(2) An agency that provides certified peer support services must meet the general requirements for recovery support services in WAC 246-341-0718.

(3) An agency providing peer support services must ensure peer support counselors:

(a) Are recognized by the authority as a "peer counselor" as defined in WAC 182-538D-0200; and

(b) Provide peer support services:

(i) Under the supervision of a mental health professional; and

(ii) Within the scope of the peer counselor's training and department of health credential.

(4) An agency providing peer support services must document the frequency, duration, and expected outcome of all peer support services in the individual service plan.

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