



VICSERV Training & Professional Development Calendar

July 2017 - November 2017

Peer Workforce Development

VICSERV provides a range of professional development and training activities to support the peer workforce across community mental health.

This includes:

Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515)

This specialist, nationally recognised course is offered by Wodonga Institute of TAFE, in partnership with VICSERV. It has been specifically designed for workers who have lived experience as either a consumer or carer, and who work in mental health services roles that support, mentor and advocate for consumers or carers.

Workforce development and support

Consultation and organisational development strategies to assist organisations to successfully recruit, employ and support a peer workforce.

Short courses and professional development

All VICSERV short courses and professional development activities are suitable for peer workers, and all content and delivery modalities are overseen by our senior peer trainer.

Customised Training & Professional Development

VICSERV can customise all of our training and professional development products, to meet your specific organisational and regional needs. Customising can include:

- Delivery on-site in your organisation or regional area
- Aligning training content with your organisational policies and procedures
- Using a variety of training modalities, including small-group face-to-face training, teleconferencing and webinars
- Provide post-training support and consultancy services to maximise change and learning throughout your organisation
- Designing evaluation strategies to meet your organisational professional development strategy
- Advertise your regional training for you, and manage registrations
- Assist you to advertise your regional training in your own networks, and promote to your stakeholders as part of your training and development plan

JULY

Collaboration skills unpacked

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th July 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

This two day workshop is designed for experienced staff in the mental health and community sectors. Participants will use their existing service knowledge to explore current collaborations and analyse these relationships throughout this workshop.

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Working effectively with clients considered 'Complex and Challenging'

Tuesday 18th July 2017

Facilitator: Brett Bridges

An interactive and exploratory workshop for community managed mental health workers, mental health clinicians and others working with clients considered complex and challenging.

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Empowering clients and carers to self care

Tuesday 25th July 2017

Facilitator: Sheree McDonald

Learn to empower clients and carers to self-nurture more effectively and sustainably.

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AUGUST

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

Applications close Friday 28th July

Commencing August 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

A qualification for existing peer workers, develop your skills and knowledge in this specialist work role.

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SEPTEMBER

Effective documentation

Thursday 7th September 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

Explore practical tips, legislation and guidelines related to documentation of the care and support provided to consumers, families and carers.

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Introduction to motivational interviewing

Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th September 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

Gain an awareness and understanding of the principles of motivational interviewing, practise techniques and build upon your existing level of counselling skills.

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Trauma informed care

Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st September 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

Become trauma informed and feel confident to respond to and support people who have experienced trauma.

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OCTOBER

Advocacy and representation

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd October 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

Learn how to support and promote self-advocacy for consumers and carers as well as formal systemic representation and advocacy skills.



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Applied Suicide Intervention Skills (ASIST)

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th October 2017

Facilitator: Living Works

Enhance your comfort, confidence and competence in helping a person at imminent risk of suicide.

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Professional supervision

Wednesday 25th October and Wednesday 1st November 2017

Facilitator: Sheree McDonald

This workshop is designed for managers, coordinators, team leaders and/or professional supervisors who want to understand the key roles of an effective supervisor and develop capabilities and skills required to lead teams.

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Challenging Behaviours: Strategies for de-escalating, understanding and recovery

Thursday 26th October 2017

Facilitator: Sheree McDonald

Develop strategies to deal with aggression and intense emotional expressions, and increase your understanding of typical factors contributing to hostility.

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NOVEMBER

Foundations in borderline personality disorder for the mental health community support sector workforce

Thursday 2nd November 2017

Facilitator: Spectrum

A comprehensive introduction to concepts and interventions relevant to support for individuals with a diagnosis of borderline personality disorder.

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Complexities in Mental Health

Thursday 16th November 2017

Facilitator: VICSERV Training Team

Completed Mental Health First Aid but need more? This course will take you through the complex interactions of mental health and the ever-changing service system.



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Special Interest

Become a VICSERV member

Representation: Members benefit from active representation and leadership at the State and Commonwealth level

Participation: Members have the opportunity to contribute to State and National submissions and advocacy campaigns

Resources: Members benefit through access to the expertise and knowledge of our Learning & Development, Policy and NDIS Transition Support specialists

Publications: Members benefit from VICSERV's range of informative and influential publications, including the nationally acclaimed New Paradigm journal

Substantial discounts: Members benefit from substantial discounts on all VICSERV professional development and events. Members' training discounts on average exceed 20% of the regular fees

We encourage you to become part of the VICSERV Member community - 03 9519 7000

VICSERV events and member forums

VICSERV holds numerous high impact events and Member Forums throughout the year on:

- Emerging issues at the local, state and national levels for community managed mental health services
- VICSERV's policy and strategic activities; and
- Service practice and research developments

These events will provide the opportunity for CEOs, senior managers and other key staff members to:

- Explore and discuss key issues for stakeholders
- Engage with and inform VICSERV's policy positions
- Be kept up-to-date on policy and practice in mental health and related areas.

More information will be provided on all of our events through Factsline, VICSERV's e-newsletter or contact Debra Parnell, Manager, Policy and Communications, 03 9519 7000

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

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