

CPSAC Share-Out 2.11.22

- General Updates
 - The Wisconsin Peer Specialist Employment Initiative (WIPSEI) team at Access to Independence is now a team of three.
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- 2021-2022 Contract Year Updates
 - Timing
 - Quarter 1 ended on 12.31.21 (currently in Quarter 2)
 - Total CPS Currently: 1,144
 - Total CPPS Currently: 44

 - Trainings
 - 6 privately-funded CPS trainings already completed (including a statewide CPS training sponsored by Madison College, a Milwaukee and Waukesha County-specific CPS training funded by Wisconsin Community Services, a Newcap-sponsored CPS training serving a variety of counties in eastern and central Wisconsin, as well as an in-person/virtual Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa-sponsored training serving Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, and Iron counties as well as the Bad River Band and Red Cliff Band, Safe Communities MDC-sponsored training serving Columbia, Dane, Dodge, and Green counties, and a Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa-sponsored training serving Ashland and Bayfield counties as well as Bad River Band and Red Cliff Band.
 - 4 privately-funded CPS trainings currently underway (including Madison College student-specific, Western Tech College student-specific, Milwaukee County & Wisconsin Community Services-sponsored training for Milwaukee County residents, Midwest Organic & Sustainable Education Service-sponsored farming communities-specific also serving peer run respite and peer recovery center staff)

- 1 DHS contract-funded CPPS training (statewide) has been completed
- Other upcoming trainings:
 - Other student-specific CPS trainings for Western Technical College and Madison College
 - Milwaukee County/WCS-sponsored CPS training for Milwaukee County residents
 - Family Health Center of Marshfield-sponsored CPS training serving a variety of counties across the middle region of the state
 - Madison College-sponsored CPS training serving Dane County residents and employees of Dane County Human Services and Centro Hispano of Dane County
 - CPS trainings sponsored jointly by Centro Hispano of Dane County and Just Dane
 - Institutional CPS trainings in the DOC as well as Mendota Mental Health Institute
 - 6 DHS contract-funded CPS trainings (5 to be centered around Independent Living Center service area regions)
 - 1 more DHS contract-funded statewide CPPS training
 - Some others are in earlier stages of planning or consideration
- Exams
 - All 2021-2022 contract year CPS/CPSP exams are scheduled. Check out the exams page on the WIPSEI website for more information: <https://www.wicps.org/exams/>
 - CPS exam on December 1st
 - 43/50 passed
 - Overall pass rate of 86%
 - CPPS exam on December 15th
 - 0/3 passed
 - Overall pass rate of 0% (September 15, 2021 CPPS exam had a pass rate of 82.35% with 14/17 passing)
 - CPS exam on February 2nd
 - 33/37 passed
 - Overall pass rate of 89.2%
 - CPPS exam on February 23rd
 - Upcoming...
- [Recertification](#)
 - January 2022 CPPS recertification
 - 15 CPPS were due for recertification on January 30, 2022
 - 7 recertified
 - Recertification rate of 46.7%
 - [UW-Milwaukee now offering online recertification](#) and payment processing

- Ongoing Projects
 - CPS Curriculum Feedback
 - The WIPSEI and DHS held two curriculum feedback gatherings in December 2021 with CPS trainers to hear feedback on the recently revised CPS curriculum to inform updates to the CPS curriculum as well as the upcoming CPPS curriculum revision process
 - Current updates to the CPS curriculum serve as a final finishing step prior to planned 2022 translations into Spanish and Hmong
 - Bridge-building Conversations Regarding CPS and Recovery Coach Roles
 - Collaboration between the WIPSEI and Helios Recovery Services
 - [Click Here to View the Conversation between Brittyn Calyx and Jesse Heffernan Exploring CPS and Recovery Coach Difference and Common Ground](#)
 - Communities of Practice
 - Topics informed by Community of Practice evaluations and workforce development needs statewide
 - February CPS and CPPS Community of Practice topic on February 17th
 - [Click Here to Register via Zoom for “‘Something’s Changed’: When Youth are Struggling \(Pandemic Impact Series\)”](#)
 - February Supervisors of CPS and CPPS Community of Practice topic on February 24th
 - [Click Here to Register via Zoom for “A Brief Introduction to Navigating Neurodiversity in the Workplace”](#)
 - More Robust Training Evaluation and Feedback
 - Updated participant evaluations for trainers
 - Addition of facilitator self-evaluations
 - Training observation and feedback/debrief
 - CPPS Curriculum Revision Process
 - Process led by Lynn Maday-Bigboy of DHS
 - Expanding Employer Assistance and Resources
 - Addition of Peer Specialist Workforce Development Coordinator position to support expanded employer technical assistant and workforce professional development

- Equity improvements to [jobs page](#) coming this month with 3 key standards for postings
 - Must include listed wage/pay rate
 - Must demonstrate basic adherence to Americans with Disabilities Act
 - Must be reviewed for adherence to CPS/CPPS role or clearly state the posting is for a similar but different role
- Resources:
 - Continuing Education page (along with links to various orgs offering continuing education opportunities) <https://www.wicps.org/continuing-education/>
 - Resources page: <https://www.wicps.org/resources/>
 - Join the Initiative's email contact list (over 3,000 people receiving regular emails regarding WI CPS/CPPS-related updates and information) <https://www.wicps.org/join-our-email-contact-list/>