



CRPS PERFORMANCE DOMAINS

- Advocacy
- Mentoring
- Recovery Support
- Professional Responsibility

CERTIFICATION FEES

**Certification
Application: \$100**

Exam: \$65 (per attempt)

Annual Renewal: \$75

Additional fees may apply. Please see the CRPS Candidate Guide at www.FICertificationBoard.org for details and instructions.

Need help paying for certification, testing and renewal fees? Apply for a CRPS Scholarship!

Visit www.FICertificationBoard.org for details.

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Recovery Peer Specialist Credential

The Florida Certification Board (FCB) is pleased to offer a certification program that recognizes professionals who combine job preparation and lived experience to mentor, monitor and motivate individuals and families seeking recovery from substance use and/or mental health conditions. Supporting individuals and families in recovery takes compassion and competence, and earning the Certified Recovery Peer Specialist (CRPS) credential demonstrates that you have the knowledge and skills necessary to be confident in the work you do. Achieving certification not only arms you with a feeling of accomplishment, but also it assures the public that you are a trained professional who has met the standards required to serve as a Certified Recovery Peer Specialist and that you provide services according to ethical and professional standards of conduct.

The FCB is pleased to provide this general overview of Florida's CRPS certification program. For details and instructions on earning certification, please read the Certified Recovery Peer Specialist Certification Guide. The FCB provides all candidate guides, forms and applications online at www.FICertificationBoard.org.

A Certified Recovery Peer Specialist (CRPS) helps to ensure person-centered care by assisting peers to build the specific skills and relationships needed to achieve and maintain recovery from substance use and/or mental health conditions. The CRPS achieves this goal by using their lived experience and professional preparation to mentor, monitor and motivate the person to achieve recovery. CRPS applicants can select a specific category of lived experience, which is added to the CRPS credential as an endorsement indicating the professional's lived experience. The FCB currently offers two endorsements.

Certified Recovery Peer Specialist (CRPS)

Applicant attests to lived experience as an adult who has been in recovery for a minimum of two years from a substance use or mental health condition.

Certified Recovery Peer Specialist-Family (CRPS-F)

Applicant attests to lived experience as a family member or caregiver to another individual who has or is in recovery from a substance use or mental health condition.

Certified Recovery Peer Specialist-Veteran (CRPS-V)

Applicant attests to lived experience as a veteran of the armed forces who has been in recovery for a minimum of two years from a substance use or mental health condition.



Getting Certified

STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS

- High School Diploma or General Equivalency Degree (GED)
- 500 hours of supervised work and/or volunteer experience providing peer-to-peer recovery support services
- 40 hours of content-specific training
- 3 letters of recommendation for certification
- Attest to lived experience (select from Family or Veteran)
- Agree to be bound by the FCB Code of Ethics
- Pass the Florida CRPS exam
- Clean criminal background check
- Submit all required CRPS certification forms and fees

MAINTAINING CERTIFICATION

During the 12 months of provisional certification, on-the-job experience and supervision requirements must be met. The CRPS credential is issued after the following requirements have been documented and approved:

- Complete 10 continuing education credits prior to CRPS expiration annually
- Follow the FCB Code of Ethical and Professional Conduct
- Submit all required documentation and the renewal fee by June 30 each year (Renewal fee: \$75)

SAVE \$25 WHEN YOU APPLY ONLINE!

The FCB offers an online application process through our online portal, which you can access from www.FICertificationBoard.org.

Whether submitting an application online or through the mail, all applicants must create an account in the FCB's online system prior to submitting an application. Once you have an account, you can submit your application online.

If you are unable to submit your application online, you may print and submit a hard-copy of the application and mandatory documents. A \$25 data-entry fee applies to all hard-copy applications.

LEARN MORE Please visit the FCB's website at www.FICertificationBoard.org for details and additional information about the CRPS and other credentials and services the FCB offers.