5122-29-15 Peer recovery support services.

- (A) Peer recovery services are community-based services for individuals with a mental illness or substance use disorder; and consist of activities that promote recovery, self-determination, self-advocacy, well-being, and independence. Peer recovery services are individualized, recovery-focused, and based on a relationship that supports a person's ability to promote their own recovery. Peer support services are services for individuals with a mental illness, intellectual or developmental disabilities, or substance use disorders and their caregivers and families.
- (B) Peer support services consist of activities that promote resiliency and recovery, self-determination, advocacy, well-being, and skill development. Peer support services are individualized, resiliency and recovery focused, and based on increasing knowledge and skills through a peer relationship that supports an individual's or family's ability to address needs, navigate systems and promote recovery, resiliency, and wellness. They promote family driven, youth guided, trauma informed care and cultural humility, encourage partnership with individuals and families, and advocate for informed choice.
- (C) For the purposes of this rule, the following definitions apply:
 - (1) "Recovery" means the personal process of change in which an individual strives to improve their health and wellness, resiliency, and reach their full potential through self-directed actions.
 - (2) "Resiliency" means the ability to recover from setbacks, adapt well to change, and keep going in the face of adversity. It is the process of adapting well in the face of adversity, trauma, tragedy, threats, or significant sources of stress such as family and relationship problems, serious health problems, or workplace and financial stressors.
 - (3) "Wellness" means a broad approach for things individuals can do at their own pace, in their own time, and within their own abilities, that can help them feel better and live longer.
- (B) Peer recovery services promote self-directed recovery by assisting an individual. They promote trauma informed care and diversity competence, encourage self-direction, and advocate for informed choice.
- (C) "Recovery" means the personal process of change in which Ohio residents strive to improve their health and wellness, resiliency, and reach their full potential through self-directed actions.
- (D) Peer recovery support services may include, but are not limited to:

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- (1) Ongoing exploration of recovery, resiliency, and wellness needs;
- (2) Supporting individuals <u>and their caregivers and families</u> in achieving personal independencegoals through increased knowledge, skills and connection as identified by the individual <u>or family</u>;
- (3) Encouraging hope;
- (4) Supporting the development of life skills—such as budgeting and connecting to community resources;
- (5) Developing and working toward achievement of personal recovery individualized recovery, resiliency, and wellness goals;
- (6) Modeling personal responsibility for recovery for resiliency, recovery and wellness;
- (7) Teaching and coaching skills to effectively navigate to the health care delivery systems to effectively and efficiently utilize services;
- (8) Providing group facilitation that addresses symptoms Addressing skills or behaviors, though through processes that assist an individual, caregiver, or family in eliminating barriers to seeking achieving or maintaining recovery, employment, education, or housing recovery, resiliency, and wellness;
- (9) Assisting with accessing and developing natural support systems in the community;
- (10) Promoting coordination and linkage among similar providers;
- (11) Coordinating or <u>assistance assisting</u> in crisis interventions and stabilization as needed;
- (12) Conducting outreach and community education;
- (13) Attending and participating in <u>team decision making or specific</u> treatment team; or,
- (14) Assisting individuals, <u>caregivers</u>, <u>or families</u> in the development of empowerment skills through <u>self-advocacy</u> and activities that mitigate discrimination and inspire hope.
- (E) Providing services in a culturally inclusive and competent manner which includes not practicing, condoning, facilitating, or collaborating in any form of discrimination on

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- the basis of ethnicity, race, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, national origin, marital status, political belief, or mental or physical disability.
- (E)(F) Peer recovery support services are not site specific but shall be provided in locations that meet the needs of the individual, caregiver, or families.
- (F)(G) Peer recovery support services may be facilitated to individuals, families, or groups.
- (G)(H) Peer recovery support services shall be provided by certified peer recovery supporters as defined a person certified in accordance with in rule 5122-29-15.1 of the Administrative Code.
- (H)(I) Peer recovery support services providers shall report for any certified peer recovery supporter employed by or volunteering with the provider to the Ohio department of mental health and addiction services any events that would disqualify the certified peer recovery—supporter pursuant to paragraph (I) of rule 5122-29-15.1 of the Administrative Code.

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