

# Maine Recovery Coach Certification Board Workshop Q & A: One-Pager

**1. What is required of a coachervisor?**

A “coachervisor” must have completed the Recovery Coach Academy and Coachervision to provide peer recovery coaching supervision.

**2. How do you define a “peer” for recovery coaching?**

A peer is defined as practicing a pathway of recovery that supports my mental and physical wellbeing. This could include people recovering from SUD, other addictions, and/or affected others.

**3. What is required to register as a peer recovery coach in Maine?**

One must have completed the Recovery Coach Academy and Ethical Considerations for Recovery Coaches, sign the Peer Recovery Coach Code of Ethics and Attestation, High school diploma/GED/High school diplomacy, and submit application for registration.

**4. What are the benefits / differences for being certified or registered?**

Registration demonstrates that someone has had the appropriate training and commits to the Peer Recovery coach Code of Ethics. Certification indicates that someone has both the knowledge and competency for recovery coaching demonstrated by 500 hours of supervised practice.

**5. How does someone prove their 500 hours for certification?**

A peer recovery coach is required to keep track of their own hours and to have a qualified coachervisor’s signature verifying their experience hours and supervision.

**6. How long will the registration and certification fees be waived?**

Until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**7. How do we access the link to search for credentials?**

The credential database will be available on [www.peerrecoverycoachme.org](http://www.peerrecoverycoachme.org) as of December 22nd, 2021.

**8. To be a coach do you have to be registered or certified?**

At Maine’s Recovery Community Centers peer recovery coaches are required to be registered or certified. The Certification Board encourages all employers to require registration or certification status for anyone providing peer recovery coaching services.

**9. Is there a minimum salary that could be expected when applying as either Registered or Certified Peer Recovery Coach? Does the board support a minimum wage?**

Salary and wages are out of the scope of the MRCCB mission and purpose. Employers establish their own organizations’ salary and benefits.

**10. Where does recovery coach fall into the Direct Access Worker matrix for employment?**

The MRCCB does not require a criminal background check as part of the registration and certification process. Background checks are the responsibility of hiring organizations.