

Project Update – December 2020

The peer workforce project has now begun the delivery of training for our first group of peer trainees. During November, the group met in Campbell Town and learned more about the partner organisations involved in the project: Holyoake, Salvation Army and Youth Family and Community Connections. The training also began delving into the values and core competencies of peer work. This Part One of the training was completed in November and Part Two training will happen in March next year.

The peer trainees also benefitted from guest presenters sharing their specialist knowledge on topics including family violence and vicarious trauma. Thanks to Alina from Engender Equality and Ros from Holyoake for these presentations.



Peer training Day One in Campbell Town – November 2020

PEER SPECIFIC SUPERVISION AND PEER COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

The peer trainees are also being supported in their ongoing professional development with a peer specific supervision session scheduled in December and these sessions will continue in 2021. Additionally, a peer worker community of practice will be offered for the trainees to maintain their connections and support during this new period of learning and development. As part of this community of practice we are planning to meet with mental health peer workers to share knowledge, insights and further understanding of the intersection of substance use and mental health.

NEXT STEPS

As the training continues for our first group of trainees, the project partners are now beginning to plan recruitment for the next cohort to begin their placements and training in 2021.

NEEDING MORE INFORMATION?

Any further questions about the Project please contact Maria Duggan: maria@den.org.au

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