



CERTIFIED RECOVERY SPECIALIST/CERTIFIED FAMILY RECOVERY SPECIALIST

Certification Preparation Program

>> Program is approved by the Pennsylvania Certification Board <<

(Program hours: 78 hours (66 hours classroom and 12 hours online homework))

YORK CAMPUS COURSE: Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023 to Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 – 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

2010 Pennsylvania Ave., George Leader Building (Room 135), York, PA 17404

Effective Jan. 1, 2021, the Pennsylvania Certification Board (PCB) requires the person enrolling in a CRS education program, to attest that they have 18 months, in a continuous manner, of a personal lived recovery experience as of the date of the first class, and to provide a statement of lived experience as part of the CRS program application process.

CERTIFIED RECOVERY SPECIALIST (CRS)

CRS is a credential for individuals with personal, lived experience in their own substance use disorder recovery. By offering insight into the recovery process based on their own experience, recovery specialists are able to provide a unique perspective while provide recovery support services. The CRS is not a sponsor, case manager or a therapist but rather a role model, mentor, advocate, and motivator.

CERTIFIED FAMILY RECOVERY SPECIALIST (CFRS)

CFRS is a credential for adults who have been directly impacted by their own family member or loved one's substance use disorder. The CFRS shares their lived experience with other families to provide recovery support services and understands the stigma associated with substance use disorder and its impact on the family. CFRS's are trained to help families move into and through the recovery process.

Course Cost: \$998 (CRS certification exam fee not included. There is no exam for the CFRS certification, just an application fee, which is also not included in the tuition cost.)

Course Materials: Materials are provided to the students in class or online.

TWO-STEP REGISTRATION PROCESS:

September 2023 Class Schedule and Location:

1. The Sept. 2023 HACC York Campus course will be held on Saturdays for 9 weeks from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. beginning on Saturday, Sept. 9 and ending on Saturday, Nov. 8
2. Course Number: **90144**
3. To register and pay the tuition, please click [here](#) then click on "Enroll Now". After reviewing the next screen, click on "Check Out" and complete the remaining screens including your payment information (VISA, MasterCard and Discover are accepted).

After you register for the program with HACC, you must also create an account on the PA Certification Board's (PCB's) website and complete the Learner's Agreement by following these instructions:

1. Go to www.pacertboard.org >> Education >> CRS & CFRS Curriculum and read the screen in its entirety.
2. Click on "Find a Class" and then the green "Enroll" button next to "Recovery Specialist – 151 (Private)".
3. You will use Enrollment Password **CRS20230606\$ for the Sept. 2023 class** to create a personal PCB account that is used to complete homework during the CRS/CFRS class and to complete the Learner's Agreement.
4. Complete the entire Learner's Agreement and after reviewing your answers click on "Submit". If completed correctly, you will receive a pop-up confirmation that the document was successfully submitted. Within 10 business days you will receive an email from the instructor confirming your registration.

Student Education Requirements to sit for the CRS certification exam (there is no CFRS certification examination.)

In addition to the PCB-approved standardized program, students must possess a high school diploma or GED and it must be documented.

Veterans may provide discharge documentation in lieu of a high school diploma/GED.

College degree documentation can be used in lieu of a high school diploma/GED. The degree must be from an accredited college/university that is recognized by the US Department of Education or the Council on Higher Education Accreditation. An official transcript sent directly from college/university is required. If the degree is from outside the United States, a degree equivalency must be performed by an organization that specializes in that process.

Student must pass the PA Certification Board examination for Certified Recovery Specialists, which is a cost that is not included in the CRS/CFRS program tuition.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE CRS AND CFRS CERTIFICATIONS ARE FOUND ON THE PCB

WEBSITE: <https://www.pacertboard.org>

Please note that HACC is the training venue for the CRS/CFRS program and this 78-hour training is one part of the process to become a CRS. Participants must meet all requirements before applying to take the CRS certification exam.

Please call Nina Kottcamp at 717-221-1386 or Susan Biggs at 717-221-1348 if you have any questions.

Scholarship opportunities may be available for the Sept. York CRS/CFRS program.

We will have more information about these scholarships in late July 2023.

If interested in learning more, please contact Nina at nmkottca@hacc.edu.

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Please refer to the PCB's website for the most current information.*

The next Harrisburg CRS/CFRS class will be scheduled for early Feb. 2024.

HACC reserves the right to postpone or cancel the class due to low enrollment.

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