A Celebration of Peer Roles

December 5, 2014

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Award determinations were made by a sub-committee of individuals working in peer roles from a variety of local organizations.

Special thanks to our event planning committee:

Jeffrey Bass
Jessica Bloom
Colleen Sondrini-Cooper
Sera Davidow
James Fortini
Michelle Harris
Erin Levesque
Lee Mendoza
Stephanie Reitman

And thank you to all nominees for your hard work and dedication!

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Jennifer St. Germain
Krystal Watt
Caroline White
Agenda

12:00pm  Arrive, settle, network!

12:15pm  Welcome & lunch

1:00pm  Award Interlude

   **Pioneer—Peer**  
   Krystal Watt,  
   Carson Center

   **Pioneer—Provider**  
   Julie Schwager,  
   Center for Human Development

   **Exceptional Volunteerism**  
   Carol Magrone,  
   WM Recovery Learning Community

1:25pm  DMH welcome & meet the new Director of Recovery!

   **Ally**  
   Gail Hornstein,  
   Mount Holyoke College

   **Innovation**  
   Evan Goodchild,  
   WM Recovery Learning Community

   **Up & Comer**  
   James Fortini,  
   WM Recovery Learning Community

1:55pm  Introduction to the Declaration of Peer Roles

   **With Sera Davidow, Beth Mangiarcina, & Stephanie Reitman**

2:15pm  Award Interlude

   **Living the Values**  
   Jeffrey Bass,  
   Center for Human Development

   **Change Agent—Provider**  
   Colleen Sondrini-Cooper,  
   The Brien Center

   **Change Agent—Peer**  
   Caroline White,  
   WM Recovery Learning Community

   **Hero**  
   Shery Mead,  
   Intentional Peer Support

2:45pm  Closing statement & thank yous

   **With your host for the day, Jessica Bloom!**

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"Peer run groups were as helpful as all the doctors and hospitals I’ve been in. They taught me the most important lessons of my life."

"I wonder what my life would have been like if peer support was available when I first entered the system?"

"Getting to be me, without fear. It was life changing. That’s what peer support offered me."

"I’m living a completely different life now than I was two years ago [because of peer supports]."