

## What is the process?

1. Call *RI International, Inc.* at 951-686-5484.
2. Attend any scheduled orientation.
3. Complete the application.
4. Attend the full two week class.

**Wellness City Riverside**  
1737 Atlanta Ave., Ste. H-5  
Riverside, CA 92507  
[951-686-5484](tel:951-686-5484)

**Wellness City Perris**  
170 Wilkerson Ave., Ste. A/B  
Perris, CA 92570  
[951-345-1193](tel:951-345-1193)

**Wellness City Temecula**  
40925 County Center Dr., #120,  
Temecula, CA 92591  
[951-600-6410](tel:951-600-6410)

**Wellness City Banning**  
2781 W. Ramsey St.  
Banning, CA 92220  
[951-797-3805](tel:951-797-3805)

**Wellness City Palm Springs**  
333 S. Indian Canyon Dr., Ste. E  
Palm Springs, CA 92262  
[760-778-4309](tel:760-778-4309)

**Wellness City Indio**  
81-735 HWY 111, Ste. B  
Indio, CA 92201  
[760-342-1825](tel:760-342-1825)

**Wellness City Blythe**  
1297 W. Hobson Way  
Blythe, CA 92225 (within MH clinic)  
[760-550-5405](tel:760-550-5405)

## HELPLine

HELPLine is a free, confidential crisis / suicide intervention service available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

**951-686-HELP or 951-686-4357**

## Peer Navigation Line

The Peer Navigation Line provides resources, information, and connection to local services through the use of Peer Support. We offer “known” resources and help you navigate the wide array of choices that will meet your specific needs.

**888-768-4YOU or 888-768-4968**



This information is available in alternative formats upon request. If you are in need of a reasonable accommodation, please contact Consumer Affairs at 951-955-7161

2085 Rustin Ave., Riverside, CA 92507  
[951-955-7161](tel:951-955-7161) / [rcdmh.org](http://rcdmh.org)

# What is Peer Employment Training?

*“Peer Support is about partnering with people to assist them in discovering the expertise they already have inside themselves.”*

*- RI International, Inc.*

*“We promote an affirming environment that recognizes the gifts all people possess.”*

## What is Peer Employment Training?

Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health has contracted with RI International, Inc. to provide a 75 hour, college level course, in order to promote excellent peer leadership and expertise in the delivery of behavioral health services. The course is designed to prepare peers for competitive employment as Peer Support Specialists, by building on their personal experience.

Topics covered in the course include the following:

- Recovery Pathways
- Using Your Story to Help Others
- Appreciating & Celebrating Diversity
- Emotional Intelligence
- Ethics and Boundaries
- Communication Skill Development
- Conflict Resolution
- Understanding Co-Recovery
- Partnering with Professionals

In addition, peers are certified in one-on-one interaction by participating in 10 hours of role-play. The instructor observes and provides valuable feedback. Participants are also tested throughout to determine their level of skill and knowledge about the information provided.

## Who should take Peer Employment Training?

- Individuals who have found success in recovery from mental health and substance use challenges
- Individuals who would like to share their recovery story with others
- Individuals who are looking to volunteer or work in the field of mental health or substance abuse within Riverside University Health System or with one of their contracted providers



For more information visit:

[riinternational.com](http://riinternational.com)

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## Senior Peer Support Specialists

### Regional Areas

### County Wide Programs

#### **Western Region**

951-346-6653 or  
951-358-3122

#### **Research & Development**

951-955-7374

#### **Mid-County Region**

#### **Mature Adults**

951-330-6928

#### **Mid-County Family Rooms**

951-443-2178 - Perris  
951-471-4645 - Lake Elsinore

#### **Communications**

951-955-7114

#### **Desert Region**

760-238-8224

#### **Substance Abuse & Prevention Programs**

951-955-2499

#### **Transition Age Youth Programs**

#### **Children's Services -**

#### **Western Region**

951-358-4848

#### **Long Term Care & Crisis Support System of Care**

951-955-1614

#### **TAY Center / TAY FSP**

#### **Western Region**

951-358-4100

#### **HHOPE Programs**

951-715-5050

#### **TAY Center**

#### **Mid-County Region**

Coming Soon

#### **New Life AB109**

951-318-2527

#### **TAY Center**

#### **Desert Region**

760-863-7970