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IC&RC Adopts SAMHSA Model Standards for Peers

The International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) is pleased to announce the adoption of the proposed SAMHSA's National Model Standards for Peer Support Certification in the form of a new credential. This national entry-level peer credential will be the first rung of a career ladder that will lead to stronger SUD workforce development, which is greatly needed across the country.

IC&RC is the first- and currently only-nationally recognized peer certification organization to adopt these standards. The standards, released last week, are the result of several months of evaluation and construction led by SAMHSA's Office of Recovery.

Quality and integrity are the foundation of IC&RC's work and our mission to protect the public via credentialing. As the global leader in the credentialing arena, we are pleased to take this step to allow more peers to enter the workforce, bringing their lived experience to those in need of SUD services.

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