

17th Annual “One Community in Recovery” Conference

March 4-6, 2026 | Greensboro, NC



**NC ONE COMMUNITY
IN RECOVERY**

Call for Proposals

The planning committee for the NC “One Community in Recovery” Conference is seeking presentations that will explore diverse topics and disseminate new concepts about recovery and resiliency throughout our state. To apply, please complete this application and return by September 4, 2025.

Overview

The “One Community in Recovery” Conference is a place where individuals working and involved in recovery as defined in its broadest terms can share their work and gain support from others involved in the recovery movement. The conference is primarily focused on promoting the growth of the North Carolina Recovery Movement, teaching participants how to get recovery programming up and running in their own communities, showcasing the most progressive recovery practices, and bringing individuals interested in the recovery movement together as students and partners.

Target Audience

We warmly invite all individuals involved in any aspect of recovery and resiliency around mental health, substance use disorders, I/DD, or traumatic brain injury. This conference will be beneficial to addictions specialists, administrators, advocates, allies, counselors, educators, family members, first responders, individuals with lived experience, marriage and family therapists, peer support specialists, policy makers, psychologists, social workers, and other health and human service professionals interested in recovery.

Length

Each session should be 75 minutes (1 hour, 15 minutes). Please plan time for questions and answers.

Topic Areas:

Though the Recovery Conference is open to virtually any topic related to recovery, we are specifically seeking workshops that focus on the following areas:

- Addressing homelessness and other social determinants of health (transportation, employment, etc.)
- Advocacy (policy or legislation advocacy, awareness campaigns, self-advocacy, human rights and civil rights)
- Alternative pathways to recovery (mindfulness, meditation, exercise, animal therapy, etc.)
- Building/sustaining community
- Dual recovery (mental health/substance use/I/DD/TBI)
- Innovative practices in peer services (peer run programs/organizations, peer trainings, application of peer services, peer specific positions, etc.)
- Leadership (policy development, organizational recovery, community recovery, research supporting recovery, etc.)
- Overcoming trauma (including trauma from Hurricane Helene, secondary trauma), building resilience
- PORT Teams, Harm Reduction and EMS, First Responders
- Recovery narratives (helping people develop their stories, how people can use their stories to help themselves heal, to help others, to advocate for policy change, etc.)

- Recovery with I/DD or TBI; National Family Partners
- Supporting health and wellness through a social justice and racial equity lens (fostering an inclusive culture, examining biases/exclusion/inequities in healthcare)
- Whole health and wellness (integrated care, holistic nutrition, trauma informed care, wellness strategies, shared decision-making, etc.)
- Youth Peer Support

Audiovisual Equipment

A laptop, projector and screen will be available in each breakout session. You may bring your presentation on a flash drive or email it to the conference chair. It is also acceptable and encouraged for you to present your session without PowerPoint.

Handouts

Handouts will be made available to participants via the conference website. We request all handouts and/or PowerPoint slides be submitted one week prior to the conference.

Expenses

All workshop presenters are provided with free conference registration however, they are responsible for lodging, non-conference meals, travel and other expenses.

Acceptance Notification

You will be contacted via email by September 25, 2025. All contact between the conference planning committee and workshop proposal applicants will be with the listed “primary presenter.” The primary presenter is responsible for communicating with their co-presenter(s) and making sure all needed information and documents are submitted to the planning committee

Please submit your proposal here <https://form.jotform.com/202806488403153>

by September 4, 2025

For questions or more information, please contact Ellen Kesler,
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