

C.E.L.T.

Consumer Empowerment & Leadership Training

**FULL SCHOLARSHIPS
AVAILABLE!!!**



Our Mission: To prepare participants with the skills, knowledge and confidence to actively realize their rights and responsibilities as citizens.

CELT Program: The Leadership Academy is a four-day training designed to give mental health consumers important tools for successful leadership and the skills to make their voice heard. Many programs, facilities and localities, including your own, want consumers to join their boards, committees, and work groups to improve mental health services and focus on high quality services. Community Service Boards and local Human Rights Committees are required by Virginia law to include consumers in their activities. Many consumers may not know their rights and need someone to help educate them. The Leadership Academy is designed to give Mental Health Consumers the skills to meet any of these challenges.

Cost: Mental Health America of Virginia in partnership with the Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services provides full scholarships to Mental Health Consumer citizens of Virginia who have been accepted for CELT Training. Full scholarships include tuition, lodging and food. We rely on the support of Community Services Boards to transport their respective CELT candidates to the Leadership Academy site. Limited transportation funding assistance is available based on need.



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<u>Region</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>
Central VA	May 19-22, 2009	April 28, 2009
Tidewater	December 7-11, 2009	November 22, 2009
Southwest	March 15-19, 2010	February 23, 2010
Central VA	May 17-21, 2010	April 27, 2010

