



Application for CELT Leadership Academy

Mental Health America of Virginia (MHAV) hosts leadership training academies throughout the state of Virginia. The purpose of CELT is to provide skills and training through experiential learning that will empower individuals to foster transformation within the mental health community. Scholarships and funding for these CELT academies are provided by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (BHDS). Please note to be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must:

- Submit a complete application by the application deadline
- Be a resident of Virginia (proof of residency is required)
- Be at least 90 days post crisis
- Be well enough on their recovery spectrum to participate in experiential learning
- Submit one letter of recommendation

Acceptance is not guaranteed and is based on availability. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Scholarships are highly competitive. Preference is given according to the qualified applicant's region. For more information please visit www.mhav.org or call 804-257-5591 or toll free at 866-400-6428.

Please PRINT or Type the following information

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone () _____ Work () _____ Cell () _____

Email _____ Please Indicate preferred method of contact _____

Emergency Contact Information: In case of emergency, please contact:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone () _____ Emergency Phone () _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please give careful thought and answer the following to the best of your *own* ability.

Acquaintance:

Please tell us what you know about CELT and what are your expectations from this experience?

Why are you interested in attending CELT?

What strengths do you have that you can bring to the mental health community?

What leadership, advocacy, or planning skills you'd like to improve?

Mental Health Planning or Advocacy:

Have you had experiences getting involved in mental health planning or advocacy in your area? If so, please briefly describe one of those experiences.

Community Mental Health Issues:

List two mental health concerns or issues affecting your community that you would like to address.

Are you interested in ... (Please check one preference):

- Advocating for mental health improvement, funding, and systems change
- Starting a community initiative

Leadership Skills:

What leadership skills do you have?

How have you used them to advocate for mental health?

Describe two ways that you think that CELT may improve your skills to advocate for mental health.

How do you plan to use the skills learned at CELT?

Upcoming CELT Academies

Preference is given according to the applicant's region and focus preference. Please submit your completed application and required documents by the application deadlines. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

<u>UPCOMING CELT ACADEMIES</u>				
Region	Location	Dates	Application Deadline	
Roanoke/SW VA	Skelton 4-H Center Wirtz, VA	March 15-19, 2010	February 23, 2010	
Central VA/NOVA	Thomas Hale Education Center Ashland, VA	May 17-21, 2010	April 27, 2010	
Central VA/NOVA	Thomas Hale Education Center Ashland, VA	June 21-24	May 31, 2010	

Applicant Signature

By signing below, you agree that the information provided in this application is accurate, you are a resident of Virginia (proof of residency is required; see list of accepted forms or proof), are 90 days post crisis, and well enough on your recovery spectrum to participate in experiential learning.

Signature _____

Date _____

Letter of Recommendation

Please submit one letter of recommendation from a peer or provider.

Mail or fax this application to:

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FAX : 804-257-5593