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RE: Approval Notice: Kelly Fitzpatrick's Addiction Recovery Mentor Education PSS – Adult Addiction training

Dear Ms. Fitzpatrick,

Congratulations! Your renewal application for Kelly Fitzpatrick's Addiction Recovery Mentor Education PSS – Adult Addiction Training Program has met the Traditional Health Worker training standards described in OAR 950-060-0000 through 950-060-0160. The program is approved by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to train Peer Support Specialists in Adult Addiction. The approval period is for three years from April 5th, 2024, through April 5th, 2027.

During the approval period, your organization agrees to:

- Make this written notice of OHA approval available to any student or partnering organization that requests a copy and, to the extent possible, display this notice at the main training center.
- Issue a written a certificate of completion to all successful program graduates.
- **The completion of one training cannot be used for multiple Certifications.**
Explanation – the training needs to be supplemented with course time that meets the need for each of the specific certifications. A person who has lived experience as an Adult Mental Health Peer Support Specialist needs to have additional course specialization and to use their parenting experience and be a Family Support Specialist.
- **Provide successful graduates with either a certificate of participation or a certificate of completion.** *Explanation* - The Certificate of Completion is the only one that may be used for acceptance to the State registry. A certificate of participation denotes that the person does not meet the course requirement for

graduation, either because of lack of prerequisites (e.g., lived experience) or less than requisite attendance or performance in class.

- Verify the names of graduates to OHA when those individuals apply for certification.
- Report to OHA changes to the program within 30 days of the decision to make the change.
- Apply to renew its approval status at least 6 months prior to the expiration of approval.
- Allow OHA to conduct potential site visits during the approval period or renewal process.

Your training program and contact information will be posted online in a public listing of approved training programs. Please direct any questions, comments or concerns about the Oregon Traditional Health Worker Program to the OHA Equity and Inclusion Division's Mr. Abdiasis Mohamed, THW Program Manager by email at abdiasis.mohamed@oha.oregon.gov or the Equity and Inclusion Division's Shelly Das, Equity and Policy Manager at shelley.das@oha.oregon.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shelley Das". The script is cursive and fluid.

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