



2025 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION WORKSHOP

ACCESS California is a program of Cal Voices funded by the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and administered by the Commission for Behavioral Health (CBH).

Join Cal Voices' ACCESS California program and local partners for our 2025 Behavioral Health Transformation Workshops. Together, we'll explore CA's Behavioral Health Transformation and Community Planning Process through the lens of a Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist's (CMPSS) Core Competencies: Law and Ethics, and the Ethical Standards of: Advocacy and Education. The training will be interactive and allow CMPSS to strategize how to advocate for Peers as providers and clients in California's Public Behavioral Health System.

- Registration is required with a \$50 fee
- Fee waivers and \$100 travel stipends are available to eligible applicants
- Free breakfast, lunch, snacks, and refreshments will be served
- Registration and breakfast begin at 8:30 AM
- Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- Fee waiver and travel stipend application link:
<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8357130/ACCESS-2025-BHTW-Fee-Waiver-and-Travel-Stipend-Application>

Event Registration Link:

<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8356935/ACCESS-2025-BH-Transformation-Workshop-Registration>

Register Here!



Dates & Locations

8/15 Los Angeles

Register by 8/5

9/18 Red Bluff

Register by 9/8

10/1 Oakland

Register by 9/21

10/16 Costa Mesa

Register by 10/6

10/30 Sacramento

Register by 10/20

Space is limited



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2025 Behavioral Health Transformation Workshop

Los Angeles ★ August 15, 2025
Red Bluff ★ September 18, 2025
Oakland ★ October 1, 2025
Costa Mesa ★ October 16, 2025
Sacramento ★ October 30, 2025
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**CERTIFIED MEDI-CAL PEER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS EARN
6 LAW AND ETHICS CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING HOURS**

Target Audiences

Behavioral Health Clients/Consumers; Advocates, Allies, and Community Organizers; Peer Support Workers; Community Health Workers; and Other Local Stakeholders.

Learning Objectives

After attending this training, CMPSS will:

- Understand the new, mandatory Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) programs and Medi-Cal services available July 1, 2026 in County behavioral health systems for their clients
- Understand the new roles for CMPSS in BHSA programs and expanded Medi-Cal services
- Understand opportunities and mandates to include Peers on Behavioral Health Boards and as primary stakeholders in a County's Community Planning Process

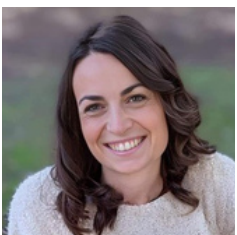
About the Trainers



Dawniell Zavala is Cal Voices' Associate Director and General Counsel. A licensed attorney and advocate with lived experience, she co-founded the WISE peer training program and launched ACCESS California. She has over a decade of leadership in peer employment and behavioral health advocacy and holds a Juris Doctor from UC Berkeley School of Law.



Nicole Chilton is the Program Manager for ACCESS CA and Program Director of the California Association of Peer Professionals (CAPP). She has a passion for advocacy, prevention, mentorship and has worked in social services since 2013.



Jocelyn Farrell is driven by her personal experiences with recovery and is passionate about dismantling the stigma around mental illness, promoting the worth and dignity of all individuals, and empowering others to pursue healing and wholeness. She has worked in nonprofit human services for several years and formerly taught High School Spanish.