

ACADEMIES FILL UP FAST! RESERVE YOUR SEATS TODAY



**NATIONAL PEER SUPPORT ACADEMY**  
*Colorado P.O.S.T. Approved*

**ALL BADGES | ALL UNIFORMS | ALL SCRUBS**

**ACADEMY LEAD INSTRUCTOR**  
Joanne Rupert, MA LPC NBCC

Learn **Concepts of Peer Support**, in line with recommendations from the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Mental Health Commission of Canada, as well as information gleaned from experts in the Peer Support field worldwide. In addition, we have included **ALL BADGES, ALL UNIFORMS, ALL SCRUBS**, as we **rely on each other ALL the TIME**.

The one thing that is missing is **PSYCHOBABBLE!** We recognize that emergency service and care workers want straight talk to get the job done. How do we know? Because all First Responder Trauma Counselors National Peer Support Academy instructors are not ordinary Clinicians – they are **CULTURALLY COMPETENT**, having spent 1000s of hours on the job as **FIRST RESPONDERS THEMSELVES**. We know how you feel, as we have felt the same way, and we will share what we've found, both as Clinicians and field First Responders, to help our fellow Tribe members.

PLUS, you'll receive your own **Peer Support Manual**, developed and written by FRTC's Senior Clinical

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**November 4 – 8, 2024**  
**8:30am – 5:00pm**  
Carbondale Fire Headquarters  
301 Meadowood Drive  
Carbondale, CO 81623

**\$1400 per person** includes light breakfast, snacks, lunch on the last day, and a binder

**Register here**



Register with the QR code, then you/your agency will be billed by Carbondale Fire for the class

Director and the National Peer Support Academy's Director Joanne Rupert, MA LPC NBCC.

FRTC's 40-hour National Peer Support Academy students have said, "This week went so quickly and I am so sad because I didn't want it to end" - "There was so much information, it was like drinking out of a fire hose" – "I wish my Chief would come" – "This class changed my life" – "This class has made me a better spouse and parent, certainly a better first responder" ...

**Scan the QR Code** and let's get started! Find out how **Knowledge, Enthusiasm, Entertainment, Compassion, Grit, and Grace** look and feel and what happens when they converge in these 40 hours of enlightenment.

**NATIONAL PEER SUPPORT ACADEMY ALWAYS FILLS UP FAST  
SO RESERVE YOUR SEATS TODAY!**

**Register today!**



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