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Project for Addictions Cultural Competency Training

Dear PACCT Applicant:

It is our pleasure to provide you with an application for the training and practicum opportunities provided through **The Project for Addictions Cultural Competency Training (PACCT)**. You can find both the application and a descriptive brochure online at [www.ct.gov/dmhas/cwp/view.asp?a=2900&q=334780#PACCT](http://www.ct.gov/dmhas/cwp/view.asp?a=2900&q=334780#PACCT) or [www.pacctprogram.org](http://www.pacctprogram.org)

*The Project for Addictions Cultural Competency Training Program (PACCT)* is a Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) sponsored program. The purpose is to increase the hiring pool of historically under-represented groups, such as Hispanic/Latino, African Origin, Asian Americans, and Native Americans in the field of substance abuse counseling. Specifically, we are recruiting individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in substance abuse counseling.

The following are the eligibility requirements for PACCT applicants: 1) Must be at least 21 years old; 2) Must have a high school level diploma; 3) Anyone with a history of alcohol or drug abuse must be clean and in recovery for at least two years; 4) Must commit to completing the PACCT Training and Practicum; 5) Applicants must be interested in pursuing a substance abuse counseling career. Priority is given to members of underrepresented groups and/or bilingual persons.

In addition, applicants must complete 100% of the PACCT classroom instruction, a 100 hour practicum placement and participate in a mentoring program. All classes will be held on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will begin on **January 14, 2012**.

Please complete and return all application materials to this office by October 21, 2011 (**type or use ballpoint pen and print clearly**). Required materials include: 1) a completed application form; 2) responses to two essay questions (350 word minimum each); 3) two letters of reference, and 4) a signed PACCT Eligibility Form. You will be notified in writing that your application has been received and reviewed. Applicants who receive favorable reviews will be invited for an in person interview. **Please note that incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**

You may wish to make a copy of your application for your records. If you have any questions concerning the application packet or process, please call or Ines Casares (860-418-6887).

Sincerely,

*Sandra A. Kamens*

Sandra A. Kamens, HPA  
PACCT Project Coordinator  
Office of Multicultural Affairs

**Send Applications to:  
Ms. Ines Casares, Secr.II  
ATTN: PACCT Program  
The Office of Multicultural Affairs  
Dept. of Mental Health& Addiction Services  
P.O. Box 341431 MS#14OMA  
410 Capitol Ave., Hartford, CT. 06134**

**Or FAX to: PACCT/OMA  
ATTN: PACCT Program at  
860-418-6708 or 860-418-6857**

# PACCT Trainee Application

## **1) Personal Information: (Please Type or Print Clearly)**

Ms. \_\_\_ Mrs. \_\_\_ Mr. \_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Home Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email address(required) \_\_\_\_\_

Are You Currently Employed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If Yes) Occupation/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

## **2) Demographic Information:**

Race/Ethnicity (If more than one, please check all that apply, PACCT strives to be all inclusive)

**RACE:**

**ETHNICITY:**

\_\_\_ Asian

\_\_\_ Hispanic/Latino

\_\_\_ Native American or Pacific Islander

\_\_\_ Non Hispanic/Non Latino

\_\_\_ White

\_\_\_ Other, Please Specify

\_\_\_ American Indian/Native American

\_\_\_ Black or African American

\_\_\_ Other, Please Specify

**Gender:** \_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Transgender \_\_\_ Other

## **3) Educational and Training Information:**

- a. \_\_\_ High School Level Diploma (minimum) e. \_\_\_ Advanced Degree: Specify \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_ Some College or Technical/Trade School f. \_\_\_ Military Service: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_ Associate Degree/Diploma or more g. \_\_\_ Language(s) spoken: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_ Bachelor's Degree: Major \_\_\_\_\_ h. \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- i. \_\_\_ List any volunteer or paid experience in Substance Abuse or Mental Health related areas. If no experience, indicate NA

## **4) I Would Like to Request Special Needs Considerations: (e.g. ADA, Please Specify)**

## **5) Programmatic Information:**

How did you learn about PACCT? (Please check all that apply)

- a. \_\_\_ Referral (specify by whom) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_ PACCT Brochure
- c. \_\_\_ Publication (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_ Conference (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- e. \_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**I attest that all of the above is true:**

**Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**6) Essays: Please answer the following questions.**

1) Discuss your interest in participating in the PACCT Program (350 word minimum).

(Attach additional sheets)

2) Discuss your short and long term career goals (350 word minimum).

(Attach additional sheets)

**7) Additional Materials:** Along with your essays and completed PACCT Trainee Application Form, Please submit the following materials:

1) Two written/typed signed and dated reference letters.

2) A signed "Participant Eligibility Declaration", enclosed.



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