# Family Peer Advocate Credential Requirements

## FPA Provisional Credential Requirements

1. Complete Level One PEP Training
2. Complete FPA Provisional Credential Application
   - Meet lived-experience requirements
   - Proof of age
   - High School Diploma or GED equivalent
   - 2 Letters of Recommendation
   - Signed FPA Code of Ethics

## FPA Professional Credential Requirements

1. Complete Level Two PEP Training
2. Hold a Valid FPA Provisional Credential
3. Complete FPA Professional Credential Application
   - 1,000 hours of documented experience providing Family Peer Support Services
   - Supervisor Letter of Recommendation
   - Signed FPA Code Ethics

### Keep in Mind...

- Level One PEP Training consists of online training modules only.
- An individual may obtain a FPA Provisional Credential prior to employment.
- The FPA Provisional Credential is valid for 18 months.

Extensions are available in certain situations. Call FTNYS for more information.

### Keep in Mind...

- Level Two PEP Training consists of online modules + in-person training + coaching phone calls.
- Typically, the process of obtaining a FPA Professional Credential begins after an individual is employed as a FPA.
- 20 hours of continuing education is required every two years to renew a Professional Credential.

For more information on the PEP Training and Credential, including up-to-date application forms, visit the Workforce Development tab on the Families Together in NYS website, [http://www.ftnys.org/](http://www.ftnys.org/)

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