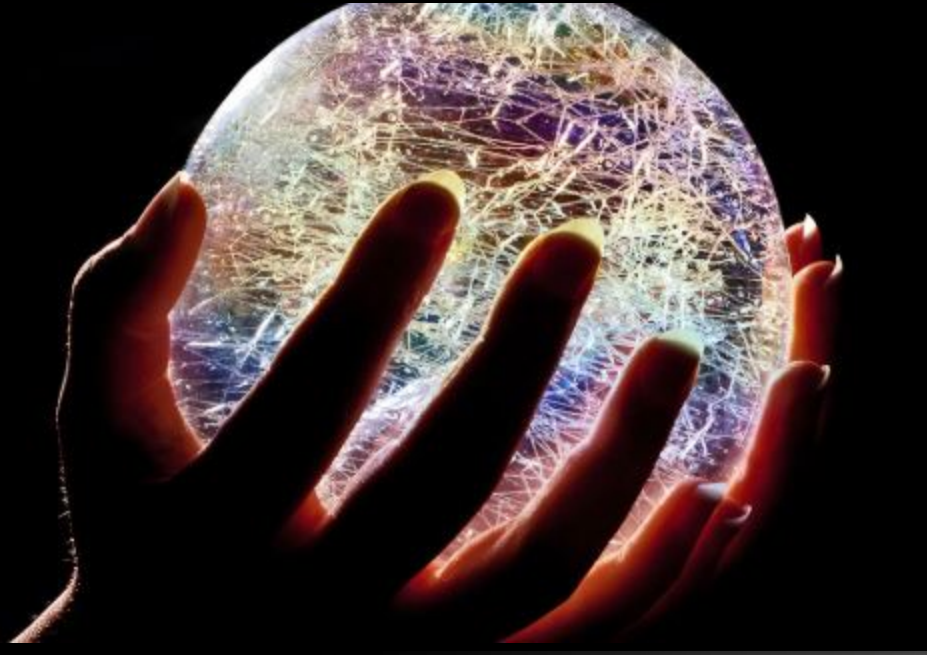




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Building a Career in the Private
Sector



Time Travel

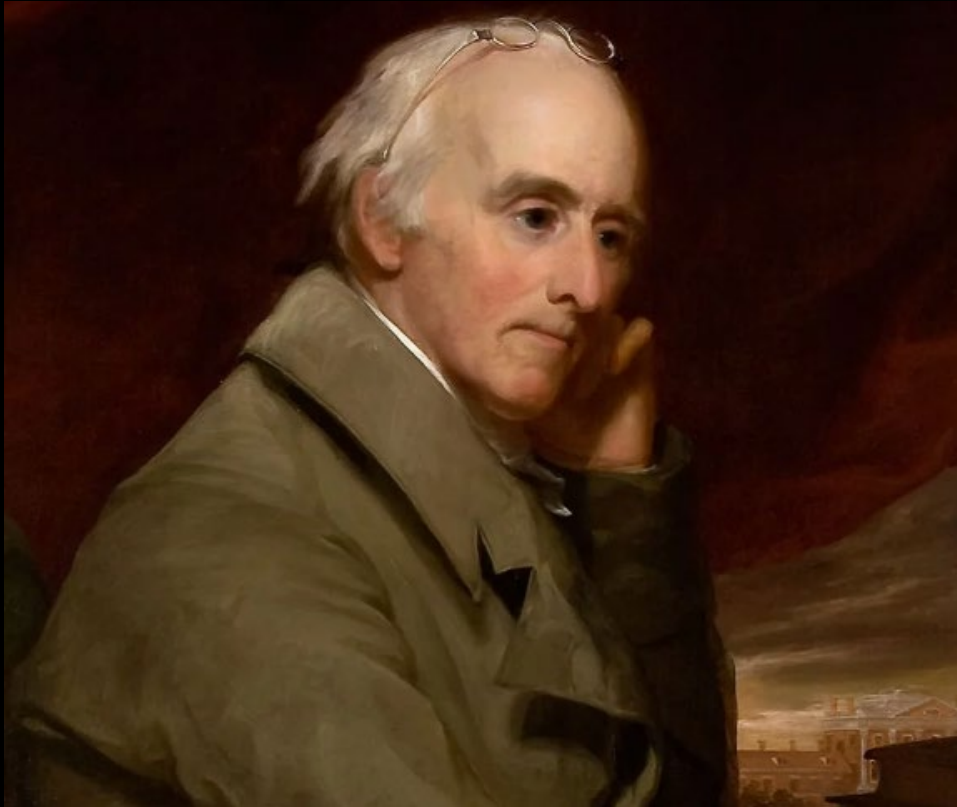
....Let's go way back!

And Where Did Organized Peer Support Come From?



France-1700's

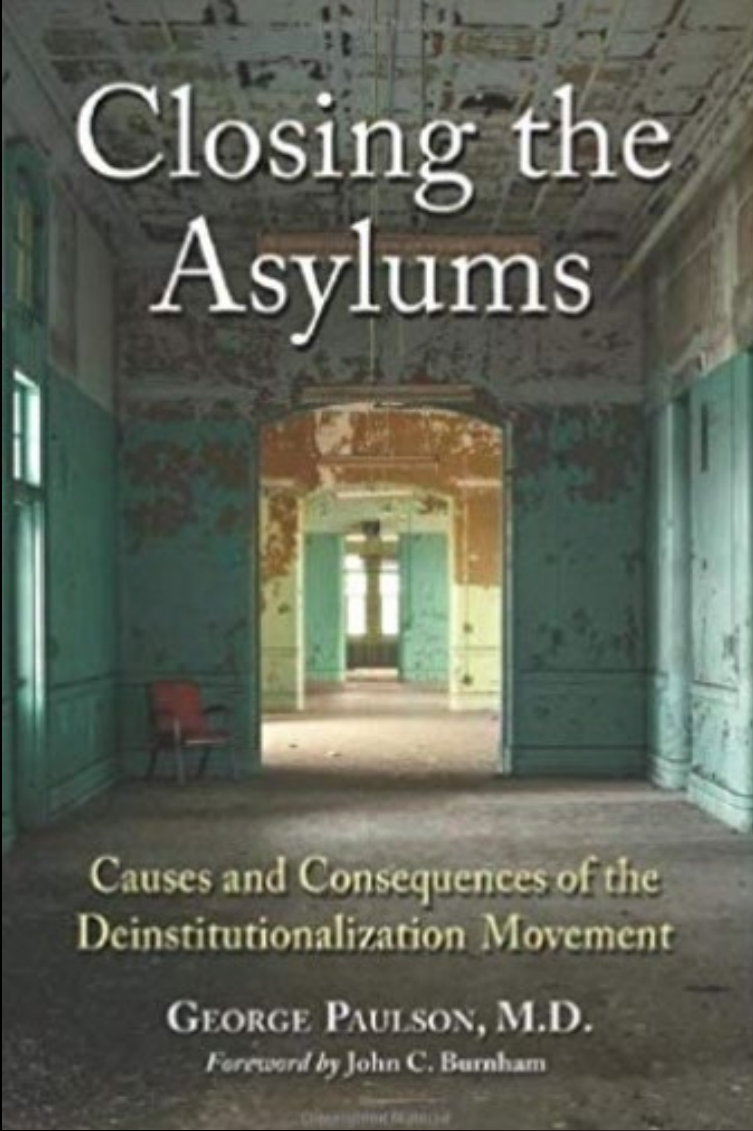
Moral Treatment Comes to America



Benjamin Rush
1746-1813



Descent into Darkness
Byberry Hospital PA 1946



Closing the Asylums

Causes and Consequences of the
Deinstitutionalization Movement

GEORGE PAULSON, M.D.

Foreword by John C. Burnham

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The Consumer Movement

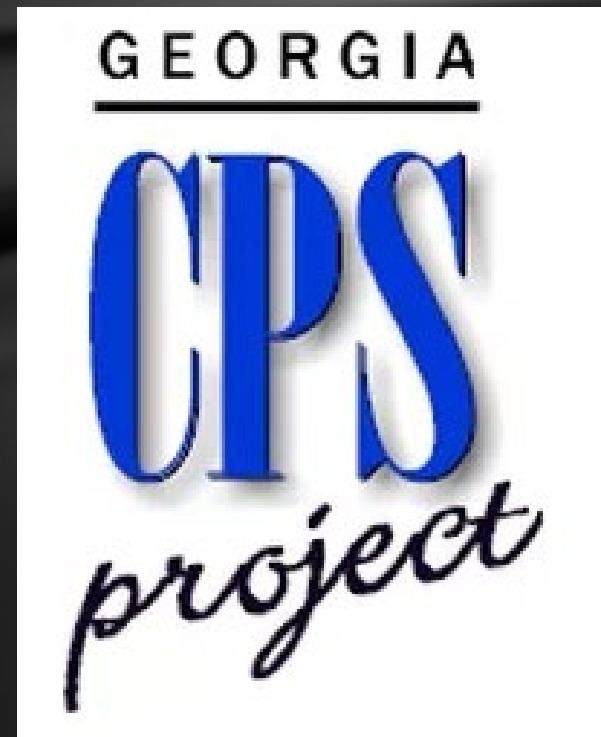


1st Drop-In Center: On Our Own MD 1983



Working Inside the System The Consumer Movement

Georgia Created
the 1st Peer
Certification in
2001



Community Mental Health
Journal

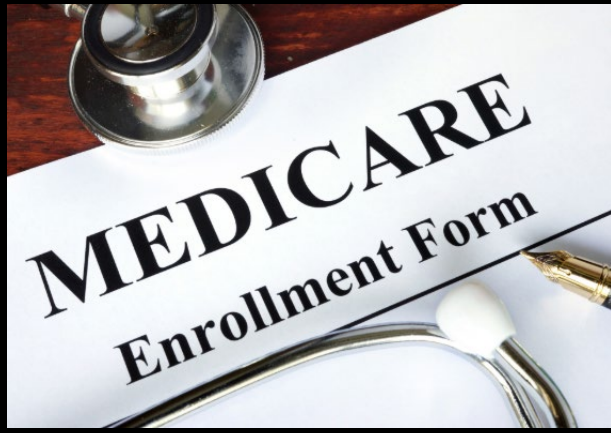


Peer support has found a home in the community mental health system. Peer specialists now perform a number of different roles

There are now approximately 30,000 Certified Peer Specialists plus \approx 10,000 in states without certification



So far, we have largely been met with closed doors when we attempt to introduce peer support to private practice



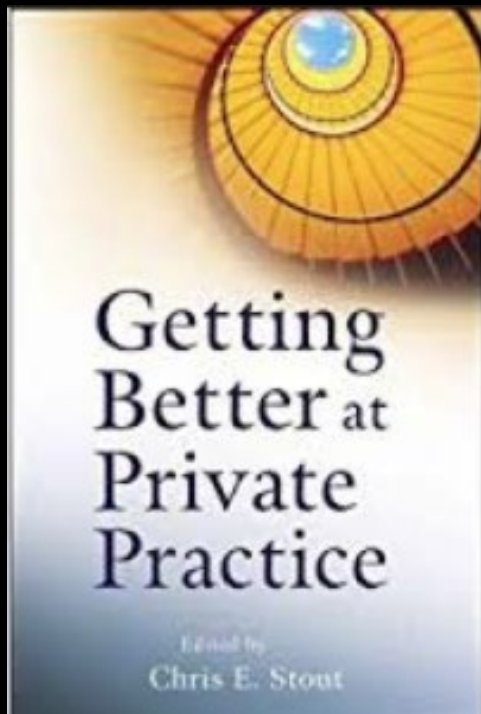
Funding Barriers



Inconsistent standards across state lines
Lack of reliable information



But the door is beginning to open. As new research validates peer support, and funders begin to realize the benefits, interest is growing.



- Higher quality of life
- Increased treatment outcomes
- Lowered re-hospitalization rates
- Lowered ER usage
- Decreased costs to funders
 - Allowing more people to receive services

In our own unique way we are professionalizing peer support.

- Increased knowledge
- Higher standards
- Experience
- Constantly evolving



Goal Setting

Active Listening



Navigation

Advocacy

Building Trust

Activation

Relationships

Ethics & Boundaries

Decision Making

Professional Training

2017



MHA Advanced Level National Certified Peer
Specialist

A single high standard

Projected workforce

Period of Time	5-10 years
Total BH Workforce	420,000
Percentage of Peers	20-25%

Peer Workforce	84,000-105,000
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Manderscheid, R. PhD

And that is just behavioral health!



Many people receiving services for all types of healthcare issues can benefit from peer support



The Future Holds Countless
Opportunities





The Need for Peer Support
Throughout Healthcare is in
the Millions



Careers, Not Jobs



Imagine what that would look like.



Opportunities for career advancement and upward mobility.

Work, Learn. Grow, Flourish



Flourishing:

"a state where people experience positive emotions, positive functioning and positive social functioning, most of the time; living within an optimal range of human functioning.

Correy Keyes, PhD

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