

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 360 Department or Agency Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards and Education Commission

Rule No. 360-X-28

Rule Title: Certified Peer Support Member

New Amend Repeal Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NO

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? NO

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? NO

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer 

Date 1/20/2022

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**ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND
PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards and Education Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 360-X -28 Certified Peer Support Member

INTENDED ACTION:

To establish language in Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Administrative Code which will allow the Alabama Fire College to certify emergency responders as certified peer support members.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

To allow certified peer support members to provide emotional and moral support to an emergency responder who needs emotional or moral support as a result of job-related stress or an incident in which the emergency responders was involved while acting in his or her official capacity.

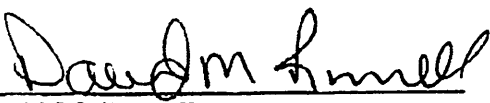
TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views orally or in writing to the Director of the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission, 2501 Phoenix Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405, at any time from January 31, 2022 through April 12, 2022.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Comments will be accepted until the close of the public hearing on the matter on April 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 360-X-28
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(1) Requirements.

(a) The minimum age requirement is 18 years.

(b) The candidate must be an emergency responder or a chaplain of an emergency services agency.

(c) The candidate must have completed training in critical stress management or peer support by a recognized training agency.

(d) The candidate must be designated in writing by a sheriff, police chief, fire chief, or other head of a law enforcement agency to provide peer support services to an emergency responder or the spouse of an emergency responder.

(e) Examination.

1. There will be an examination for state certification provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards & Education Commission.

2. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of these examinations.

3. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of course completion.

4. All certification testing, to include re-testing, must be completed within 12 months of the course completion date.

(2) Administration.

(a) Scope. This standard identifies the professional levels of competence required of the Peer Support Member.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify, in terms of performance objectives, the minimum

requirements of professional competence required for service as a Peer Support Member.

(c) General.

1. The candidate shall meet all of the requirements for this standard before being certified as a Peer Support Member.

2. Each performance objective for the Peer Support Member shall be performed swiftly, safely, and with competence. Each objective shall be met in its entirety.

3. It is not required for the objectives to be mastered in the order they appear.

(3) Objectives.

(a) The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Peer Support Member to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards & Education Commission Curriculum for Peer Support Member, current edition.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§36-32-1, 36-32-12.

History: New Rule: Filed January 20, 2022; effective _____.