

# **Veteran Peer Specialist, Virginia Veteran and Family Support**

Age Requirements

18 and over

Available 24/7

No

Documents Required

Call for details

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Picture ID

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Proof of income

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Social Security card

Other Eligibility Criteria

Serves veterans of any era, Virginia National Guard not in active federal services, Armed Forces Reserves not in active federal service and family members of veterans and members of the Guard and Reserve not in active federal service.

Family

Yes

Intake Process

Call for an intake and assessment appointment.

Intake Contact Telephone

(757) 942-1990

Provider Refer

Yes

Qualifications

Qualification Type

Licensure

Qualification Entity

Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS)

Qualification Number

084

Report Problems

Call the Agency

## Residency Requirements

Serves residents of and people located in the cities of Franklin and Suffolk and the counties of Isle of Wight and Southampton.

Self Refer

Yes

Western Tidewater Community Services Board

<http://www.wtcsb.org>

<http://www.wtcsb.org/our-services/adult-services>

Main

(757) 942-1069

Toll-Free

(877) 285-1299

Phone Emergency

(757) 925-2484

Northgate Building, Godwin Commerce Park

1000 Commercial Lane

Northgate Building, Godwin Commerce Park

23434 VA

United States

Monday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Tuesday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Wednesday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Thursday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed

Additional Availability Comments

Call for individual program hours. Emergency Services are available 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Fee Structure

Sliding Scale Fee

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Call for Information

Languages Spoken

English

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Call if translation is needed

At Western Tidewater Community Services Board, coordinating with [Virginia Veteran and Family Support \(VVFS\)](#), a Veteran Peer Specialist is a person with a behavioral health or co-occurring condition, actively engaged in their own recovery, who has been trained and certified to help others with these conditions, identify and achieve specific life and recovery goals.

Peer Specialists serve as role models by sharing their personal recovery stories, showing that recovery from behavioral health disorders is possible. Specialists teach goal setting, problem solving, symptom management skills and a variety of recovery tools. They empower veterans by helping them identify their strengths, supports, resources and skills. They advocate for veterans's issues by working to eliminate the stigma of mental illness and act as community liaisons by identifying social supports in the community and encouraging the expansion of local community resources.

VVFS Regional Director: Carol Berg (757) 224-5208 Extension 2207

VVFS Senior Resource Specialist: Michele Johnson (757) 224-5208 Extension 2208

Service Area(s)

Franklin City

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Isle of Wight County

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Southampton County

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Suffolk City