

# Community Involvement (C508)



## Course Goals and Objectives

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6 hours

As outlined by the Addiction Professionals Certification Board, Inc., at the end of this course the student will be able to:

1. Understand the importance of professional networking.
2. Begin to develop skills in how to establish and maintain a professional network.
3. Learn the importance of advocating for one's clients as well as issues in the field.
4. Learn best practices to contribute to de-stigmatizing SUD related issues.
5. Understand important cultural issues in the community and be able to incorporate relevant community information into their work.
6. **Competency 49:** Establish and maintain relationships with civic groups, agencies, other professionals, governmental entities, and the community at large to ensure appropriate referrals, identify service gaps, expand community resources, and help address unmet needs.
7. **Competency 100:** Describe factors that increase the likelihood for an individual, community, or group to be at risk for, or resilient to, psychoactive substance use disorders.
8. **Competency 101:** Sensitize others to issues of cultural identity, ethnic background, age, and gender in prevention, treatment, and recovery.