## YPA Provisional Credential Requirements

1. Complete Level One YPA Training
   - Complete Level One Online Modules

2. Complete YPA Provisional Credential Application
   - Meet lived-experience requirements
   - Proof of age
   - High School Diploma or GED equivalent
   - 2 Letters of Recommendation
   - Signed YPA Code of Ethics

### Keep in Mind....

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

## YPA Professional Credential Requirements

1. Complete Level Two YPA Training
2. Hold a Valid YPA Provisional Credential
3. Complete YPA Professional Credential Application
   - 600 hours of documented experience providing Youth Peer Support Services
   - Supervisor Letter of Recommendation
   - Signed YPA Code Ethics

### Keep in Mind...

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

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For more information on the YPA credential, including up-to-date application forms, visit [www.YOUTHPOWERNY.org/ypacredential](http://www.YOUTHPOWERNY.org/ypacredential).

To access online training modules, visit [www.YOUTHPOWERNY.org/ypa-training](http://www.YOUTHPOWERNY.org/ypa-training).

If you have questions about the YPA Training or Credential, please email [YPACredential@YOUTHPOWERNY.org](mailto:YPACredential@YOUTHPOWERNY.org) or call 1 (518) 432-0333 ext. 18.

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