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## INTAR Dialogues - 03

# The professionalization of peer support in the USA

A CAUTIONARY TALE



**In memory of Darby Penney  
(1952 - 2021)**

**How it all began - the origins of the peer specialist movement in the USA**

- Celia Brown (Associate Professor - Yale University)

**Reflections on the dangerous stage of peer support evolution in the USA**

- Chacku Mathai (Psychiatric Survivor)

**Mutuality or more of the same? - the challenges, conflicts and opportunities arising from the growth of peer support training and employment across the globe**

- Chris Hansen (Peer Support Expert - Intentional Peer Support/INTAR)

**Opportunities and indignities in the employment of trained peer workers**

- Lynnae Brown (Peer Support Advocate/Trainer)

**Professionalization of peer support and microaggressions: a push for lived-experience leadership**

- Chyrell Bellamy (Consumer/Survivor Advocate)

**Discussant:** Peter Beresford (Visiting Professor - University of East Anglia)

**Facilitators:** Sabine Dick & Liam MacGabhann - INTAR

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