



**INDICATION OF BOARD INTEREST**  
**The Alliance for Rights and Recovery**

**To: The Alliance Board Development Committee**      **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Best Contact Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

What region are you from? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed or volunteer with an Organization? Y or N    Are you an Alliance Member: Y or N

If Yes, Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Alliance for Rights and Recovery** is a unique coalition of self and systems grassroots advocates partnering with traditional and peer providers to advance funding, quality of lives, excellence in the delivery of recovery focused rehabilitation and peer support services with a very strong focus on promoting human rights and justice.

**Mission:** The Alliance for Rights and Recovery is a state and national change agent dedicated to improving services, public policies and social conditions for people with mental health, substance use and trauma-related challenges, by promoting health, wellness, recovery, with full community inclusion, so that all may achieve maximum potential in communities of choice.

The Alliance Board of Directors is made up of four types of Board Members or seats:

- Officer Members
  - These are President or Co-Presidents, Immediate Past President or Co-Presidents, President or Co Presidents Elect, Treasurer, Secretary and Regional Caucus Chairs
- Committee Chair Members
  - There are three (3) Committees to the Board, these are: Board Development Committee, Finance & Audit Committee and Membership Committee
- Regional Coordinator Members
  - The Alliance is broken up into regions: Long Island, Southern Tier, Capital, NYC, Hudson Valley, North Country, Western, Central and Finger Lakes.
- Ad Hoc Board Members
  - These Board Members do not generally serve as an Officer, Chairs of Committees or Regional Coordinators. If desired to do so, then they are no longer in an Ad Hoc status but that of an Officer, Chair of Committee or Regional Coordinator.

1. Have you ever served on a Board? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No
2. Are you interested in serving on The Alliance Board? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No
3. Are you willing to financially support the agency with a donation of your choosing? \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N
4. Based on the information about Board Membership on the reverse side, are you willing to participate on the Board as described? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Let's talk further.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## POSITION DESCRIPTION: BOARD MEMBER

### Minimum Qualifications

- ❑ Commitment to the organization and its purpose
- ❑ Support of the organization publicly, physically and fiscally
- ❑ Time available for meetings/committees and preparation for meetings/committees
- ❑ Financial and time supports from yourself or organization to travel to meetings and pay for travel and expenses (gas, meals and hotel)
- ❑ Willing to listen to all sides with an open mind before making decisions
- ❑ Good will and tolerance for dissent
- ❑ Ability to abide by the will of the majority, respect the rights of the minority and be positive in support of decisions made by the board

Responsibilities: Making decisions, determining goals, overseeing financial matters and evaluating performance of the President & CEO

Time Commitment: The Alliance of Rights and Recovery meets four times per year. Meetings are generally in the months of February, May, August and November.

Additional time is required for Board meeting or Committee preparations. Board Members must serve on at least one Committee of interest

Length of Board Commitment: three (3) year term

Training Provided: Yes

### Benefits:

- ❑ An opportunity to be part of a passionate change agent in NYS and nationally
- ❑ "Breaking News" of regulatory changes, program development, funding opportunities and being "in the know" before others
- ❑ Increased awareness of The Alliance Community needs
- ❑ Input into policy development that affects The Alliance Communities
- ❑ Access to The Alliance Programs and Agency Committees
- ❑ Access to high level Commissioners and Staff in OMH, Government and other NYS Agencies affecting The Alliance Communities
- ❑ Opportunity to work with individuals of diverse backgrounds
- ❑ Expansion of knowledge of group dynamics and relationships
- ❑ Development of skills needed to make effective decisions
- ❑ Satisfaction of The Alliance accomplishments with local, state and national impact