Nationally Certified ROMA Implementers (NCRI)

We've listened to the needs and concerns identified. We know that there are individuals at the local CAA level who want to be a resource for their agency, and they deserve the best chance to succeed in acquiring a national certification. ANCRT is committed to providing the most accessible, inclusive training and certification process to assure consistent levels of knowledge and skills.

Therefore we are beginning a new process which includes the elements that we have found (from discussions with the network) that are critical to both working towards better implementation of ROMA and to meeting the Organizational Standards.

The new certification will be called Nationally Certified ROMA Implementer (NCRI)
The ROMA Implementer will be charged with providing information at his/her own agency to further develop understanding throughout the agency related to what needs to be done to fully implement ROMA.   The training and certification process for NCRI will assure that the individual has a deep understanding of the full ROMA Cycle, but not the additional step of delivering the Introduction to ROMA Training. It is for the person who does not want to be a trainer or to do traditional classroom style training to groups. It is for the person who works one-on-one or in small groups with agency staff to look more closely at the processes and practices in place and help identify how they can be improved for results.

To be eligible to apply to become an NCRI, the individual must have professional experience in service in the Community Action network for at least one year. This experience would involve ROMA implementation as a part of job duties.

Expectations of NCRI
- Acts as a resource to their own agency
- Provides input to their own agency related to the implementation of the full ROMA Cycle and Organizational Standards; demonstrates ability to fulfill job duties related to ROMA implementation effectively
- Participates in ROMA network at state, regional and/or national levels
- Participates in on-going learning (annual In-service Continuing Education Programs, training opportunities to improve knowledge and skills related to the phases of the ROMA Cycle, other training opportunities of related subject matter)
- Renews certification every three years

Training to become NCRI
• On line application, including letters of support (from applicant employer, CSBG office and Association) and resume. www.roma-nptp.org Application tab
• Complete e-course – 6 modules of on-line training *(non graded)* with specific focus which includes a body of knowledge, principles and practices that have been vetted by the field
• Attend "Introduction to ROMA" training held by NCRT/Master Trainer (1 day) and participate in discussion about the basic principles and practices of ROMA
• Work with Study Circle to create portfolio documenting activities, experience , skills
• Submit portfolio for review by ROMA Master Trainer
• Response to on-line exam *(graded)*
• Demonstrate ability to build logic models with different levels of need
• Application fee: $775 (Note: travel costs for 1 day session is additional. All other phases use distance education.)