

Role Title: PEER Ranger

Team: Psychological & Emotional Emergency Response (PEER Rangers)

Role Description

Psychological & Emotional Emergency Response (P.E.E.R.) Rangers provide support on the Paddock for participants who are having an emotional, mental or psychological crisis that goes beyond the capacity of their Burner community and Red Earth City Rangers to manage, but that does not yet need medical services.

They are specialised peer counsellors, who will work alongside Red Earth City Rangers. They will be located in a central area so participants can be brought to a safe, comfortable space while on the Paddock to address their distress. Depending on the size of the team, they may also roam the paddock like regular Rangers. They will be identified by a purple cloth armband with the REC Ranger logo.

Department/Team:

PEER Rangers are part of Red Earth City Ranger Team and/or Medical Team

Working Relationships:

P.E.E.R Rangers will work closely with the Medical Team, Rangers, and Head Rangers while on-site and during some critical incidents. In cases of serious events, some contact with the local police and/or ambulance services may be required.

There will be a training opportunity before the event and an on-site meeting on the Wednesday afternoon of the event after the regular Ranger meeting. Attendance at the Regular Ranger training is also expected for Community Crew that have not Rangered before.

Duties/responsibilities:

Be available for shifts of various lengths (depending on number of PEER Community Crew) throughout the event. Daytime shifts may be longer but less frequent. Evening shifts may require more crew but shorter shift lengths.

PEER Rangers will be required to immediately attend a significant incident relating to any participant, who may require a safe space to process their experiences and to regain a more balanced outlook. Rangers will usually call PEER Rangers to this task.

PEER Rangers aim to provide a calm, professional response when attending to someone who is experiencing an intense emotional response. This response may be caused by a violation of their personal space, altered states of consciousness, or feeling overwhelmed with interpersonal issues.

PEER Rangers may also be required to attend to serious medical issues, depending on the medical team and type of incident.

Necessary qualities, knowledge and experience:

The PEER Rangers will have specialist skills and undergo some specialist training as well as the usual Red Earth City Ranger training throughout the year and leading up to the event.

Ideal Community Crew will have previous medical, mental health, or psychological counselling experience (eg. psychologists, social workers, psychiatric nurses, psychiatrists, counsellors) or harm reduction experience.

We are also looking for individuals who have broader qualifications or experience in sexual assault services, telephone crisis lines, life coaching, youth work, foreign aid, health and emergency services or drug and alcohol counselling.

This list is not exhaustive and all of these skills are not mandatory. If you believe that you have valuable skills and experience that are not listed here, please get in touch with the REC Rangers to discuss your suitability or let Crew Wranglers know when you apply online.

How to Join: Register to join the crew via completing the Crew registration Form found [here](#).