



## Promoting wellness and recovery

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To: Certified Drug Courts and ADAMHS Boards Participating in the Addiction Treatment Program (ATP)  
From: Tracy Plouck, Director, OhioMHAS   
Re: ATP modifications related to eligibility and recovery supports

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In response to feedback received from ADAMHS Boards, drug courts, and treatment providers that are currently participating in the Addiction Treatment Program (ATP), as well as a review of FY 2016 enrollment and spending data, OhioMHAS has decided to expand the program. This expansion will support a larger number of clients and provide an enhanced range of recovery supports. To date, the ATP has funded drug court clients who are eligible for Medication-Assisted Treatment and are uninsured, however, the expansion will enable the program to now also serve clients who are enrolled in Medicaid or private insurance. In addition, the ATP will be able to fund both treatment services as well as recovery supports.

A recovery support is a form of assistance intended to help an individual with addiction or mental health needs, or a member of the family of such an individual, to initiate and sustain the individual's recovery from alcoholism, drug addiction, or mental illness. Common recovery supports might include, but are not limited to, housing, transportation, childcare, and co-pays for private insurance.

With these changes, all other eligibility criteria for the ATP will remain the same and include the following:

1. The client must be enrolled in the drug court
2. The client must have an opioid and/or alcohol addiction
3. The client must be eligible for MAT

FY 2017 funding was determined based on actual expenditures for the period January – June 2016 as reported by the ADAMHS Boards and doubling to reflect an annual projection. Counties with remaining FY 2016 funds may continue to utilize those funds for ATP clients served during FY 2017.

Funds will continue to flow through the ADAMHS Boards and will be disbursed to participating providers quarterly throughout FY 2017. Each ATP client can utilize \$2,000 per month to cover treatment and recovery support expenses. Providers are permitted to move funds between clients, when necessary, and allow the utilization of leftover funds from one client to be spent on another client who may have expenses that exceed \$2,000.

Accurate records of the recovery supports provided and their expenses must be kept for each drug court participant.