



Director Hall Presented Hope Taft Prevention Advocacy Award for Leading Ohio's Efforts to Fight Opiate Addiction

Pictured above (l-r): Drug Free Action Alliance Assistant Director Tony Coder, former First Lady of Ohio Hope Taft, Governor's Cabinet Opiate Action Team Director Orman Hall, Tracy Hayes (Dir. Hall's daughter) and former Ohio Attorney General Betty Montgomery

Orman Hall, director of the Governor's Opiate Action Team received the "Hope Taft Prevention Advocacy Award" in July for his leadership in the prevention of opiate abuse in Ohio. The award was presented by former First Lady of Ohio Hope Taft and staff from Drug Free Action Alliance during a Behavioral Health Leadership meeting.

"Opiate abuse is a serious issue that is distressing individuals and families from all walks of life and communities have struggled to cope with the issue," said Mrs. Taft. "Director Hall's tireless leadership for the prevention and treatment of those suffering from the disease of opiate addiction has been key to helping communities prevent and recover from the consequences of abuse."

Hall has coordinated the Kasich Administration's efforts to fight opiate abuse and addiction since January 2011.

Under his leadership, the state has created the SOLACE Ohio Network, an association of families who have lost a loved one to opiate abuse and are advocating for an end to opiate abuse through public awareness campaigns. He has also championed efforts surrounding Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for individuals who are addicted to opiates.

Drug Free Action Alliance created the Hope Taft Prevention Advocacy Award to honor those whose work has significantly impacted the prevention of substance use in the State of Ohio.

Previous recipients of the award include Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine, Sen. Rob Portman and former Ohio State University President Karen Holbrook.

Click [here](#) to see more photos from the award presentation. Learn more about what Ohio is doing to fight opiate addiction [here](#).

Ohio Lands \$10 Million for Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioM-HAS) has been awarded a five-year, \$10 million award from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for a statewide Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral for Treatment (SBIRT) initiative.

SBIRT is designed to reduce morbidity and mortality of alcohol and drug use through early intervention methodologies and the integration of medical and behavioral health approaches. This includes: 1) training of physicians and other medical personnel in substance abuse screening, motivational interviewing and cultural competency; 2) using health information technology to improve the continuity of care; and 3) employing health navigators to assist with linkage to specialty treatment and to facilitate integrated medical and behavioral healthcare.

Funding supports delivery of SBIRT services at primary care and hospital sites. Ohio SBIRT will be implemented at sites in the seven Ohio Health Information Partnership regional extension centers beginning with the Dayton-West Central Ohio center: Health Partners of Western Ohio's two locations (Lima and Kenton), St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima and the Family Health Care of Northwest Ohio in Van Wert. Additional sites will be added each funding year. The Consumer Advocacy Model (CAM) program at Wright State University, will provide telehealth services.





State Rep. Marlene Anielski (R-Independence) watches as Gov. John R. Kasich signs HB 149 into law.

Sept. 10 Declared "Ohio Suicide Prevention Day"

This summer, Gov. John R. Kasich signed House Bill 149 into law, designating Sept. 10 as "Ohio Suicide Prevention Day." The date aligns with the national and worldwide Suicide Prevention days.

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HB 149 sponsor

raise awareness to this 'Silent Epidemic' that is sweeping across our state, claiming many lives and

leaving a trail of grief in its wake. Suicide is a preventable cause of death," said Rep. Marlene Anielski, the bill's sponsor. "It gives me great hope that by designating Sept. 10 as 'Ohio Suicide Prevention Day,' we can provide education to everyone and help for those who are struggling."

\$4 Million ENGAGE Implementation Grant to Improve Care Coordination, Strengthen Supports for Youth and Young Adults

State efforts to strengthen and improve both service delivery and outcomes for transition-age youth and young adults impacted by severe mental illness will get a boost thanks to a \$4 million "System of Care Expansion Implementation" grant from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration recently awarded to OhioMHAS. The Department is partnering with the Governor's Office of Health Transformation and Ohio Family and Children First to oversee the development of Systems of Care throughout Ohio.

Dubbed ENGAGE (Engaging the New Generation to Achieve their Goals through Empowerment), the Ohio project will serve 2,000 youth from all 88 counties during the next four years.

The effort builds upon the success of an earlier strategic planning grant and will help guide effective youth-driven and family-guided local systems of care that promote optimal wellness and recovery for youth as they move toward independence and adulthood. Collaboration among government and private agencies, providers, families and youth will strengthen coordination of community-based services and promote improved outcomes. Areas to be addressed in the project include treatment, prevention, wellness, housing, education, employment, respite and life skills.



Clermont County Program Receives National Honors

The National Association of Counties (NACo) honored Clermont County's Recovery to Work/Horizons Program during an awards ceremony at its summer conference in Ft. Worth, Texas on July 21. The county's program provides treatment (including Medication-Assisted Treatment) and vocational services to individuals with an opiate addiction re-entering the community from jail or prison. The initiative is funded through federal dollars drawn down by the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission (RSC), with the Mental Health and Recovery Services (MHRS) Board providing a required match. The success of Clermont's program is a result of strong collaboration and involvement by the Board, local courts, the local alcohol/drug treatment provider, Clermont Recovery Center, and the vocational program WIN at LifePoint Solutions, as well as a strong working relationship with RSC. Clermont County Commissioner Ed Humphrey and Karen Scherra, executive director of the Clermont County MHRS Board (pictured at right) accepted the award.





NBH Groundbreaking

The Department kicked off its \$68.5 million Northcoast Behavioral Health-care expansion and renovation project July 18 with a **groundbreaking** ceremony. OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck, Medical Director Mark Hurst, M.D., and Assistant Director of Hospitals David Colletti (pictured at left with NBH staff, and other state and local supporters) were on hand to help usher in a new era for the Northfield hospital. Click [here](#) to see more photos from the event. Read local news coverage [here](#).

New Report Examines Recovery Housing in the State of Ohio

The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers has released ***Recovery Housing in the State of Ohio: Findings and Recommendations from an Environmental Scan***. This report provides an in-depth look at the current state of recovery housing across communities in Ohio, identifies effective models and key elements of recovery housing and the technical expertise, cultural competence, community capacity, infrastructure, and financial capital necessary to develop and operate recovery housing. The report also explores the legal and regulatory considerations for creating policies that align with the goals of recovery housing and recommends next steps for meeting the need for recovery housing in the State of Ohio.



Recovery Housing in the State of Ohio was produced by the Council and the Center for Social Innovation and made possible through the support of OhioMHAS. Questions? Please contact Lori Criss at 614/228-0747 or criss@theohiocouncil.org.

BUZZKILL: Serve Under 21 and the Party's Over Works!

Drug Free Action Alliance developed a program to help colleges educate their students on the responsibilities of social hosting. Based on the nationally-recognized evidence based program, *Parents Who Host, Lose the Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking*, the **BUZZKILL campaign: Serve Under 21 and the Party's Over** program educates students about the health and safety risks of allowing underage guests to possess or consume alcohol at house parties. The initiative also increases awareness of and compliance with state underage drinking laws. The program is implemented on college and university campuses and works to supplement programming already initiated by the school. The campaign was evaluated by Public Health Research, Inc., at Kent State University, and deemed to "significantly improve the social hosting knowledge of students receiving the campaign." Learn more at www.DrugFreeActionAlliance.org/BUZZKILL.



Combined SFY 2013 Annual Report Available

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is pleased to present its SFY2013 Annual Report. The report highlights the combined programmatic achievements, statistical highlights and fiscal reporting of the former Ohio Departments of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and Mental Health. Click [here](#) to view, download and print the report.



Online Psychological First Aid Guide Released

The OhioMHAS Bureau of Special Populations and Emergency Preparedness recently published ***A Psychological First Aid Guide for Ohio Colleges and Universities: Supporting Students, Faculty and Staff after a Crisis or Other Emergency***. The publication is modeled after the *2006 Psychological First Aid Guide* originally developed by the National Child Traumatic Stress Network and the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.



Athens, Hocking, Vinton, Jackson Counties Receive Strong Families, Safe Communities Youth Crisis Intervention Funding

On Aug. 1, OhioMHAS Dir. Tracy J. Plouck traveled to Athens County to **announce** a **Strong Families, Safe Communities** funding award to Athens, Hocking, Vinton and Jackson counties to provide

care and crisis intervention services for youth ages 8-24 who are at risk of harming themselves or others due to mental illness or developmental disability. *Pictured above (l-r): Bill Dunlap, deputy director of the Athens-Hocking-Vinton 317 Board, Robin Harris, deputy director of the Gallia-Jackson-Meigs Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, Earl Cecil, executive director of the Athens Board and OhioMHAS Director Plouck.*



OhioMHAS Staff Donations Benefit Soldiers Overseas

This July, as part of the Department's ongoing collaboration with the military community, OhioMHAS joined with the Blue Star Mothers (mothers of deployed troops) to collect and pack personal care items to send to troops in Afghanistan. Staff donated food, toiletries and other items as part of the Department's consolidation celebration held in mid-July. Blue Star Mothers met and surpassed its goal of preparing 800 care packages.

Montgomery County Lands \$975,000 for Drug Court Expansion

The Montgomery County Juvenile Drug Court (MCJDC) was awarded a three-year Drug Court Expansion grant from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) totaling \$975,000. Currently, MCJDC provides services to approximately 135 youth annually. The Court, in collaboration with South Community, Inc., will double its capacity as a result of the funding.

Problem Gambling Efforts Showcased at National Conference

Several Ohioans presented at the 27th Annual National Conference on Problem Gambling July 17-18, including representatives from the **Ohio for Responsible Gambling** partnership. OhioMHAS Problem Gambling Specialist Scott Anderson joined Laura Clemens, director of government relations and problem gambling coordinator for the Ohio Casino Control Commission and Karen Russo, community outreach and problem gambling coordinator for the Ohio Lottery Commission to provide an overview of Ohio's efforts to gear up for the advent of casino-style gaming in Ohio.

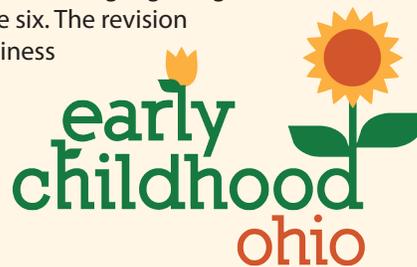
UPDATE: Race to the Top Early Challenge Grant

The 17 Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants hired as part of the Race to the Top Early Challenge Grant Initiative, will soon complete their master training introducing the Ohio Early Learning and Development Standards (ELDS). The revised standards provide the foundation for the acquisition of the core social, emotional, language, cognitive and physical developmental milestones expected for all Ohio's children from birth to age six. The revision of the Ohio ELDS is an important undertaking to further advance kindergarten readiness and long-term academic success.

After training has been completed, consultants will work with the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) state support teams and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) wellness coaches to deliver the ELDS and other mental wellness and physical health specific content to early child educators and professionals throughout the state furthering the transformation of Ohio's Early Childhood system of care.

OhioMHAS, along with our state partnering agencies, ODE and ODH, support the Ohio Department Job and Family Services' transformation of the state's early child care licensing process "Step up to Quality" into a five-star rating system. The goal of this change will help ensure an increased number of children in high-quality child care settings.

To contact a Race to the Top Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant serving your area for professional development, training, or technical assistance consultation, please email OhioMHAS lead staff for early childhood initiatives, Dr. Valerie Alloy at valerie.alloy@mha.ohio.gov or phone 614-728-0251. For more information on Ohio's efforts to transform its early childhood system of care, visit: www.earlychildhoodohio.org.



Latest “Growing Prevention Science” Publication Discusses Link Between Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and BH Risk

This latest publication from the OhioMHAS, Office of Prevention & Wellness provides information regarding the correlation between Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and behavioral health risk. For example, youth are more likely to perform poorly or drop out of school because of issues with cognition, rendering academic achievement significantly more difficult. Learn more about TBI prevention practices [here](#).

SE Ohio Providers Merge

Tri-County Mental Health and Counseling Services, Inc. and Family Healthcare, Inc. announced their merger effective July 1, 2013. The name of the new corporation is Hopewell Health Centers, Inc. This event brings together two of Southeast Ohio’s healthcare leaders, blending talents and resources for increased access to high-quality care for residents of the region. Hopewell Health will be a nationally accredited community mental health center and federally qualified health center with 16 sites across eight counties — Athens, Hocking, Jackson, Meigs, Perry, Ross, Vinton, and Washington.

September is FASD Awareness and Prevention Month in Ohio

Prenatal alcohol exposure is the leading cause of preventable intellectual disabilities and birth defects in America. September has been designated as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Education and Prevention Month in Ohio and serves as an important reminder that alcohol-related birth defects can be completely prevented. Learn more at www.notasingledrop.org and www.nofas.org.



Generation Rx University Conference Provides Abuse Education

College and university students and staff from across Ohio and the nation converged on the campus of The Ohio State University Aug. 7-8 for the Generation Rx University Conference for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention. OhioMHAS served on the planning committee and as a sponsor of the event that brought 150 people together from 24 colleges and universities from all over the country. This was the 2nd annual conference developed by the [Generation Rx initiative](#) out of the OSU College of Pharmacy and under the leadership of Assistant Dean Kenneth Hale, R.Ph, Ph.D. The goal of the event was for participants to return to their home schools with a “take-home” plan to implement prescription drug abuse education and prevention on their campuses. Corporate sponsorship was provided by the Cardinal Health Foundation.

Quarterly Housing Developers Meeting — Sept. 11

The next quarterly OhioMHAS Housing Developers Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2013, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Columbus Developmental Center. Details will be sent mid-August via the OhioMHAS Housing ListServ. To be added to the ListServ, contact Art Wills at Arthur.Wills@mha.ohio.gov.



Community Health Center Names New CEO

The Community Health Center (CHC) Board of Directors has announced the appointment of Robert Stokes as Chief Executive Officer. Stokes replaces Ted Ziegler, who retired. He brings more than 25 years of experience in healthcare management and treatment services to CHC. Most recently, Stokes served as president and CEO of Compass Corporation for Recovery Services in Toledo, a non-profit organization providing detoxification, methadone treatment, residential and outpatient services for addiction and behavioral health, as well as gambling counseling. Prior to that, he was chief operating officer at Coleman Professional Services, a behavioral health agency serving a five-county area. As CEO, Stokes will be responsible for a budget of about \$12 million and staff of 175. CHC served more than 6,800 patients in 2012.



National News Round Up

National Association of Broadcasters Launches PSA Campaign for Mental Health

The National Association of Broadcasters has launched a new mental health awareness campaign to publicize the National Suicide Prevention Hotline and provide an online community for people affected by mental illness. The campaign includes public service announcements for TV and radio, which will run nationwide. The spots feature young people encouraging their peers to speak up about mental health issues and ask for help if they need it. NAB also created a new website [OK2Talk](#), where people can view resources and post their thoughts about mental health. In addition to downloadable versions of the PSAs, NAB has made available web banners, a toolkit for reporters and other media resources on its website.

National Dialogue on Mental Health Toolkit

In more than 50 communities, planning has begun for the community conversations of the National Dialogue on Mental Health. The community conversations page at [mentalhealth.gov](#) describes the basic parameters for these events, and the [online map](#) shows the full range of places and organizations involved. The federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration has also released a [Toolkit for Community Conversations About Mental Health](#) to support communities interested in holding discussions about mental health using consistent information and approaches. The Toolkit has three parts: an "Information Brief," a "Discussion Guide" and an "Organizing Guide." These components will help communities and individuals start a conversation about mental health and help identify innovative and creative actions to meet the needs of our nation.

VA Mental Health Summits

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will be hosting mental health summits at each of the 152 VA medical centers across the country during the next several weeks. The summits will provide an opportunity for VA facilities to establish and enhance positive working relationships with their community partners and encourage community engagement to better address and understand the needs of veterans and their families. Learn more at: <http://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/summits.asp>.

SAMHSA: Treatment for Alcohol Abuse Drops in Pregnant Women, While Drug Treatment Rises

The percentage of pregnant women in substance abuse treatment programs who were being treated for alcohol abuse decreased between 2000 and 2010, according to a [new report](#) from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). During the same decade, the percentage of pregnant women in these programs being treated for drug abuse increased. Overall, the proportion of women of childbearing age who were pregnant when they entered substance abuse treatment remained relatively stable during the decade, at between 4 and 5 percent. The percentage of pregnant women who reported alcohol abuse, with or without drug use, dropped from 46.6 percent in 2000, to 34.8 percent in 2010. The percentage of pregnant women reporting drug abuse, but not alcohol abuse, increased from 51.1 percent in 2000, to 63.8 percent in 2010.

Study: "Doctor Shoppers" Bought 4.3 Million Prescriptions for Opioids in 2008

People who "doctor shop" bought an estimated 4.3 million prescriptions for opioids such as Vicodin and OxyContin in 2008, a new study finds. Doctor shoppers, who visit multiple health care providers to obtain prescriptions, represented almost 1 percent of all buyers of addictive pain medications in the United States that year. The study, conducted by the think tank [Abt Associates](#), is the first national estimate of doctor shopping in the country. Researchers found one out of every 143 patients who purchased the drugs received an unusually large number of prescriptions from multiple health care providers. These patients obtained an average of 32 prescriptions from 10 different doctors. The study is published in the journal [PLOS ONE](#).

Teen-Targeted Substance Abuse Prevention Campaign Focuses on Digital, Social Media

The "Above the Influence" (ATI) drug and alcohol prevention campaign, formerly funded through federal money, will shift from expensive television ads to lower-cost digital and social media. The [campaign](#) will concentrate on reaching teens where they spend time, such as Tumblr, Instagram and Facebook. ATI was launched in 2005 by The Partnership at Drugfree.org, the ad agency Foot, Cone & Belding and the U.S. Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). ONDCP spent \$540 million to run the campaign, which was matched by donations from the private sector. Last year, the campaign received no federal funding. The Partnership at Drugfree.org (OhioMHAS serves as the parent organization for Partnership activities in Ohio) has decided to continue the campaign, reducing costs by concentrating on digital and social media instead of television ads, and seeking corporate sponsorships. Currently, ATI has almost 1.87 million "Likes" on Facebook.



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Training Opportunities

Ohio National Guard Brown Bag Presentation - "The Role of Community Outreach and Behavioral Healthcare in the Ohio National Guard" — Aug. 14

The OhioMHAS Office of Community Supports is sponsoring a free brownbag presentation "The Role of Community Outreach and Behavioral Healthcare in the Ohio National Guard" on Aug. 14 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Rhodes Tower, 30 E. Broad St., 8th Fl., Room 806. Col. Kathryn Lowrey, director of community services for the Ohio National Guard and Barbara Herbst, director of Psychological Health at ONG will lead the discussion. RSVP to Anna Labaya at 614/728-1522 or Anna.Labaya@mha.ohio.gov.

UMADAOP 24th Annual State Conference — Aug. 21-23

Urban Minority Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Outreach Programs of Ohio will host its 24th annual state conference "Providing Culturally Relevant and Responsive Services in a Transforming Behavioral Health System" Aug. 21-23 at the Holiday Inn North in Cincinnati. For complete details, visit www.umadaopofcincinnati.com or call 513/541-7099.

Mark Your Calendar: 2013 Ohio Rally for Recovery — Sept. 5

OhioMHAS is pleased to be among the sponsors of this year's Rally for Recovery scheduled for 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sept. 5 on the West Lawn (High Street side) of the Ohio Statehouse. Make plans now to join other Ohioans in celebrating September as [National Recovery Month](#). This year's rally will feature a line up of inspiring speakers, live entertainment and refreshments.

Coalition Academy: "Achieving and Advancing Community Collaboration" — Sept. 5

The Coalition for a Drug-Free Greater Cincinnati will host Coalition Academy: "Achieving and Advancing Community Collaboration" Sept. 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Great Wolf Lodge in Mason, OH. The training includes four tracks focusing on topics such as: coalition development, business of coalitions, hot topics/trends and engaging the young adult population (age 18-25) to improve program capacity. The training is open to professionals in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. Cost is \$20. For complete details, visit: www.drugfreecincinnati.org or call 513/751-8000.

Course Offered on Prescription Drug Abuse

The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy announces a new course that investigates the epidemic rise of prescription drug abuse and uses science to debunk commonly held misconceptions regarding this phenomenon. The six-week session is available through Coursera.org, an education company that partners with universities and organizations to offer online courses for anyone to take at no cost. The course, "Generation Rx: The Science Behind Prescription Drug Abuse," begins Sept. 9, 2013, and will be taught by Nicole Cartwright Kwiek, Ph.D. To learn more, visit: <https://www.coursera.org/#course/genrx>.

National Loss Team Conference — Sept. 10-11

The Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation, in partnership with the National Loss Team Committee, will host "In the Journey of Loss, We Can Find Meaning Again — The National Loss Team Conference" at the Embassy Suites Hotel Columbus Airport. Frank Campbell, Ph.D., will provide keynote remarks. For complete details, and to register online, visit: <http://www.regonline.com/nationallossteamconference>.

MACC 2013 Annual Meeting and 10th Statewide Training Conference — Sept. 19-20

Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence (MACC), with support from the OhioMHAS, will host its 2013 Annual Meeting and 10th Statewide Training Conference, "Streams of Change: From Disparities to Equity," Sept. 19-20 at the Holiday Inn-Columbus in Worthington, OH. Application has been made for Social Work, Counseling and Ohio Chemical Dependency Professional CEU's. For more information, visit www.maccinc.net or call 614/221-7841.

Pediatric Mental Health Symposium — Sept. 23-24

The Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, is sponsoring a Pediatric Mental Health Symposium Sept. 23-24 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Mason, OH. The symposium is designed to enhance attendee's knowledge of complex child and adolescent psychiatric disorders, specific mental health behaviors and behavior management techniques. Physicians, psychologists, nurses, social workers, clinical counselors, teachers and probation officers are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$220 for both days. For more information, visit: www.cincinnatichildrens.org/cme.



Training Opportunities, cont.



Columbus Area Integrated Health Service, Inc. - 2013 Bell Center Clinical Conference — Sept. 27

Columbus Area Integrated Health Service, Inc. will host its 2013 Bell Center Clinical Conference "Treating the Common Link" Sept. 27 at The Ohio State University Student Union. The conference will focus on addiction, mental health, violence and guns. For more information, please contact Terri Ferguson at 614/251-6561. Click [here](#) to register online.

11th Annual IDD/MI Conference — Sept. 30-Oct. 1

The National Association for the Dually Diagnosed (NADD), Northeast Ohio Medical University and OhioMHAS, in association with the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Coordinating Center of Excellence in MI/DD, Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council and The Ohio State University, Nisonger Center, will host the 11th Annual IDD/MI Conference "Mental Health Aspects: Treatment & Support" Sept. 30-Oct. 1 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Worthington, OH. Administrators, psychologists, direct care providers, physicians, educators, social workers, nurses, persons with disabilities, psychiatrists, students, vocational staff, residential providers and mental health providers are encouraged to attend. For complete details, visit www.thenadd.org/stateofohio.

Save the Dates! 2013 Mental Health & Addictions Conference — Dec. 16-17

The Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities, in partnership with OhioMHAS, will host the 2013 Mental Health & Addictions Conference "Coming Together for a Healthy Ohio" Dec. 16-17. Watch <http://oacbha.org/> for more details in the coming months.



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