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>>> Children of Incarcerated Parents Prevention Grantees Announced

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) Office of Prevention and Wellness is pleased to announce recipients of one-time funding through its Children of Incarcerated Parents (CIP) initiative. Awards are for the 18-month period between Jan. 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. The Federation of Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Programs (UMADAOPs) has been awarded \$1.9 million to help mobilize service systems to build resiliency, develop resistance skills for substance use and address trauma in children of incarcerated parents and families utilizing the [Creating Lasting Family Connections](#) curriculum. Ohio UMADAOP programs will capitalize on existing prevention, treatment and Circle of Recovery programs to partner with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections and other state and regional partners to implement the project. Meanwhile, the Ohio University Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs has been awarded \$400,000 to measure outcomes and provide a comprehensive evaluation of the integration of the Creating Lasting Family Connections curriculum into Ohio's re-entry system. The evaluation team will be led by Dr. Holly Raffle with support from the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation.

>>> U.S. Surgeon General Commissions Report on Substance Use, Addiction and Health

The federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) on Friday announced the commission of the first-ever [Surgeon General's Report](#) presenting the state of the science on substance abuse, addiction and health. The report will examine the health effects of drug and alcohol abuse from the perspectives of prevention, treatment, recovery, neurobiology and delivery of care. For more information, contact Jinhee Lee, PharmD, Public Health Advisor, SAMHSA-CSAT at sgrcomments@samhsa.hhs.gov.

In the News

1.4.16 | *The Washington Post* [Trying to make mental health first aid as familiar as CPR](#)

1.1.16 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* (Editorial) [How to Stop an Opioid Serial Killer](#)

12.31.15 | *WCMH-TV* [Ross County Starts Amnesty Program for Drug Users Who Call in an Overdose](#)

12.30.15 | *WSYX-TV* [Ross County Deputies Save Lives in First Week of Carrying Narcan](#)

12.29.15 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Old rules say Medicaid patients can't fill psychiatric beds](#)

- 12.28.15 | *Bucyrus Telegraph-Forum* [Medicaid expansion helping many, but bills loom](#)
- 12.28.15 | *Huffington Post* [7 Ways 2015 Was Defined By Mental Health](#)
- 12.28.15 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Drug abuse brings heavy toll to families, taxpayers](#)
- 12.26.15 | *Bucyrus Telegraph-Forum* [Prisons as addiction treatment centers?](#)
- 12.26.15 | *Marion Star* [Despite blue drop heroin, number of ODs down](#)
- 12.26.15 | *Lancaster Eagle-Gazette* [Health center adds behavioral health services](#)
- 12.21.15 | *Mansfield News Journal (OP-ED)* [Ohio's First Lady Karen W. Kasich: Talk to your kids about substance abuse](#)
- 12.20.15 | *Athens Messenger* [Appalachian Behavioral Healthcare undergoes renovation, receives upgrades](#)
- 12.20.15 | *Toledo Blade (Editorial)* [Safer Exchanges](#)
- 12.18.15 | *Bucyrus Telegraph-Forum* [Ohio mental health hospital remade for comfort, security](#)
- 12.18.15 | *WDTN-TV* [Narcan on college campus](#)
- 12.17.15 | *Toledo Blade (Column)* [Good news on addiction?](#)
- 12.16.15 | *Athens NEWS* [Intervention training reaps concrete benefits in crises](#)
- 12.16.15 | *WKBN-TV* [St. Elizabeth's behavioral health wing set to open](#)
- 12.15.15 | *Akron Beacon Journal (Column)* [For some, holidays mean season of sorrow](#)
- 12.15.15 | *Cincinnati Enquirer (Column)* [Please stuff your stockings responsibly](#)
- 12.15.15 | *WKBN-TV* [Campbell man spends first Christmas at home in decades](#)
- 12.14.15 | *Northwest Signal* [Local facility approved by ADAMHS Board](#)
- 12.12.15 | *Huntington Herald-Dispatch* [Thumbs up: schools could play key role against drug abuse](#)
- 12.12.15 | *Circleville Herald* [ODH official notes progress in opiate epidemic fight](#)

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