



March 28, 2016

>>> SFY 2016 RFA: Media Guidelines

To help ensure that media coverage about suicide deaths is appropriately influencing behavior, OhioMHAS is [seeking](#) an expert in suicide media guidelines to: 1) update existing OhioMHAS Media Guidelines for suicide deaths to include Social Media Guidelines, and 2) offer up to six workshops about the updated OhioMHAS Suicide Media guidelines to journalism students and journalists within the community, to be delivered at state university sites identified by the expert, in consultation with, and subject to the approval of OhioMHAS. While the workshops are targeted to journalism students, local media representatives should be invited to attend the workshops. Experts meeting the following requirements are invited to submit a proposal:

- Have demonstrated experience in disseminating media guidelines concerning behavioral health topics and training journalism students in the importance and use of guidelines;
- Be knowledgeable about preparing reporting guidelines for social media; and,
- Demonstrate ability to develop social media guidelines for reporting on suicide deaths, prepare a dissemination and workshop plan on the use of these social media guidelines, and conduct the workshops by June 30, 2017.

All proposals must meet all of the RFP requirements. The deadline for the proposal is **April 25, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.** Please submit proposals to: SFY16MediaGuidelinesRFP@mha.ohio.gov. All questions related to the Media Guidelines for Reporting Deaths by Suicide must be submitted by **April 15, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.** Please submit questions to: SFY16MediaGuideliens@mha.ohio.gov.

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>>> Upcoming Advocacy Opportunities – April 6, April 13, May 4, May 11

Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery (OCAAR) and the Ohio Empowerment Coalition (OEC) will host a two-part series on advocacy titled [Change the Conversation, Change the World](#). It will consist of one full-day training, followed by a refresher course and scheduled

appointments with state legislators. Sessions include April 6 and April 13 or May 4 and May 11. Individuals are not required to attend both days but are highly encouraged to do so. The first day of training will include topics such as *Stigma Busting*, *Advocacy 101*, and *Understanding the State Political System*. Click the link to register. For more information, email OCAAR at clee@oca-ohio.org or call 614.961.0565.

In the News

3.28.16 | *The Conversation* [Here's how witnessing violence harms children's mental health](#)

3.25.16 | *The New York Times* [Heroin Epidemic is Yielding to a Deadlier Cousin: Fentanyl](#)

3.24.16 | *Aurora Advocate* [State agencies urge local officials to have heroin medication, naloxone, on hand](#)

3.24.16 | *WFMJ-TV* [Team to help Mahoning County first responders deal with stress](#)

3.23.16 | *WFMJ-TV* [Stress of the job impacts first responders' mental well being](#)

3.23.16 | *WTOV-TV* [Progress made on Lighthouse Haven buildings](#)

3.23.16 | *NPR* [Probing the complexities of transgender mental health](#)

2.24.16 | *Chillicothe Gazette* [Heroin Partnership Project revealed program recommendations](#)

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Join us and change the conversation!
Recovery Advocacy Days

DATES:
April 6, 2016
April 13, 2016
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

DATES:
May 4, 2016
May 11, 2016
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Two Part Series:
Change the Conversation, Change the WORLD!

OCAAR and OEC are providing two chances to change the conversation! The first session in the series will consist of a full day training and the second includes a refresher course followed by a scheduled group appointment with your legislator.

VENUE: Rhodes Tower
30 E. Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215
36th Floor

For more information and to register
contact clee@oca-ohio.org
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