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>>> Heat-Related Illness in Individuals Using Psychiatric Medication

Some medicines and medical conditions can make the body overheat, especially during hot and humid weather. When the body overheats, heat-related illness can cause death if not treated. Almost all psychotropic medications except benzodiazepines (e.g. anti-anxiety drugs, sedatives) are among medications that decrease the body's response to heat. Alcohol, narcotics and street drugs can also affect heat tolerance. Read this brochure and check with your doctor or pharmacist about your medications to stay safe during hot weather.

View or print the [2016 Heat-Related Illness brochure](#)

Read the [memorandum from OhioMHAS Medical Director Mark Hurst, M.D.](#)

>>> Register Today! Grant and Funding Management System (GFMS) Trainings

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is pleased to announce two training events for the new Grant and Funding Management System (GFMS) that will be implemented in SFY 2017 for grant funding and allocations. GFMS will integrate the functions of multiple funding application systems currently in use (i.e., OLGA and POPS). **The key audience for these trainings is funding and grant administrators, especially staff**



responsible for entering award data via online systems. These trainings will feature a step-by-step presentation of the new online system. OhioMHAS program, fiscal and IT staff will be available to answer questions and provide additional information on GFMS and the grant application and funding process. Trainings will be held at the Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium, 1980 W. Broad St., Columbus, 43223. Click on the following links to register. Seating is limited to approximately 250. The sessions will be recorded and posted to the Department website, along with other technical assistance and guidance on using GFMS. The trainings will run from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

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June 14: [Focus on ADAMH, CMH and ADAS Boards and entities that receive allocation-type funding](#)

June 15: [Focus on process to apply for grant funds](#)

>>> Applications Now Being Accepted for Problem Gambling Services Advisory Board

During the 2015-16 biennium, OhioMHAS and its collaborative partners, including the behavioral health service system, county ADAMH/MHRS Boards and the Commissions of Casino Control

and Lottery, gathered information and took part in research to establish a *Strategic Plan for Ohio Problem Gambling Services*. One of the findings of this work was a recommendation to establish an Advisory Board for the state's Problem Gambling Services. If interested and able to participate in quarterly meetings – both face-to-face and via conference call – please complete the [Membership Application form](#) and email to Stacey.frohnafel@mha.ohio.gov no later than **June 3, 2016**. Representatives will be chosen based on background, experience, interest and engagement levels, and cultural and demographic diversity within the state. OhioMHAS will launch the Advisory Board with a meeting on Tues., Aug. 16 from 10 a.m. to noon in Columbus. In-person participation is necessary for this organizational meeting. A small nominating group will determine 18-20 Advisory Board members and 2- or 4-year term lengths. Applicants will be notified by June 24.

In the News

- 5.26.16 | *Associated Press* [FDA Approves First Drug-Oozing Implant to Control Addiction](#)
- 5.25.16 | *Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune* [PathStone's new home paves way for more help](#)
- 5.25.16 | *Clermont Sun* [Felicity rallies against Heroin](#)
- 5.24.16 | *Forbes* [The Rise of Digital Technology in Mental Health](#)
- 5.23.16 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [Heroin's Human Toll series](#)
- 5.23.16 | *Dayton Daily News* [Dayton mental health agency has national impact](#)
- 5.22.16 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [For \(UC President\) Ono, the time to speak about mental health is now](#)
- 5.21.16 | *The Marion Star* [Addiction: 'There's always hope'](#)
- 5.20.16 | *Chillicothe Gazette* [Stigma stifles battle against opiates](#)
- 5.20.16 | *TIME* [How to End the Stigma of Mental Health Disorders](#)
- 5.20.16 | *Findlay Courier* [Congressman Latta to host forum on opioid epidemic](#)
- 5.19.16 | *Akron West Side Leader* [Iraq War vet climbs to raise awareness about suicide](#)
- 5.19.16 | *WCMH-TV* [Drug addiction treatment can work and change lives forever](#)
- 5.19.16 | *Chillicothe Gazette* [Ross County Sheriff George Lavender Named Advocate of the Year](#)
- 5.18.16 | *Healthline* [Walgreens Joins Growing Efforts to Raise Awareness on Mental Health Issues](#)
- 5.18.16 | *Lima News* [Project DAWN gets heroin medication to Allen County law enforcement](#)

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