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John R. Kasich, Governor
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>>> OhioMHAS Fills Leadership Vacancies

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) filled a trio of key staffing vacancies today with the appointments of a new chief financial officer, chief information officer and Start Talking! youth drug prevention initiative coordinator. Former Office of Budget and Management (OBM) analyst **Dan Schreiber** will start May 18 as deputy director of the agency's Office of Financial Management. **Rose Tolliver** will oversee the department's information technology services as deputy director of the Office of Information Services and former Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) policy and special projects manager **Sarah Smith** will direct the Kasich Administration's [Start Talking!](#) program. Tolliver and Smith started their new positions this week. [Read the full media release.](#)

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Pictured Below (l-r): Schrieber, Tolliver, Smith



>>> Ohio Awarded \$7M Access to Recovery (ATR) IV Grant

OhioMHAS has learned that the State of Ohio has been awarded a three-year, \$7 million *Access to Recovery IV* (ATR) grant award from The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) to provide vouchers for treatment and recovery support services to more than 4,300 criminal justice-involved adults

and military services members. The grant period started May 1, 2015 and runs through April 20, 2018. In the past, ATR services have targeted mainly urban counties with the highest number of individuals returning home from state-operated prisons. This week's announcement marks Ohio's third ATR award (ATR II, ATR III, ATR IV) for a total of \$36.6 million. Including clients to be served through the current award, Ohio will have provided services to more than 19,000 residents with the help of ATR funding.

>>> Register Today! Emerging Practice for Peer Service Conference – June 8-9

OhioMHAS is pleased to announce the inaugural **Emerging Practice for Peer Service Conference** June 8-9 at the Holiday Inn Worthington, 7007 North High St., Worthington, Ohio. This is the first large-scale opportunity for peers to come together as a unified, developing workforce. Participants will have the opportunity to earn CEU's and learn about topics which are not typically addressed in the peer community. The conference is designed for all persons providing peer support services for individuals with mental health and/or substance use disorders whether they serve in a paid or volunteer capacity. The conference will provide opportunities for participants to enhance their skill level and promote a recovery oriented system of care. This conference is for individuals with a lived experience of mental illness and/or substance use disorders. Click [HERE](#) for more information, including workshop titles and registration form.

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(5.7.15) *WKRC-TV* [Walgreens to stock heroin antidote at Cincinnati stores](#)

(5.7.15) *Toledo Blade (Editorial)* [Mobile detox: A M*A*S*H unit could treat addicts withdrawing from drugs at home, without requiring more inpatient beds](#)

(5.7.15) *Sandusky Register* [Federal grants will expand health care in Sandusky](#)

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