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>>> GCOAT Director Orman Hall Announces Retirement



After more than three decades of dedicated public service as a tireless advocate for addiction prevention and treatment, Orman Hall, director of John R. Kasich's Cabinet Opiate Action Team (GCOAT), has announced plans to retire at the end of November (see attached release). His successor will be Andrea Boxill, who served more than a decade as administrator of Franklin County Municipal Court's specialty docket programs and as the Franklin County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and mental Health Services Board Mental Health Court coordinator.

"It has been my great privilege to serve in the Kasich administration. From the very beginning, the Governor, his staff and Cabinet have worked with a sense of great urgency to decrease the excessive use of prescription opiates, close pill mills and expand addiction treatment," said Hall, whose 36 years of public service includes several decades at the helm of the Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board and as director of the former Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services. "We have made important progress, but there is still work ahead. Ohio's efforts to combat opiate addiction are in good hands." See today's *Columbus Dispatch* report:

<http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2014/11/28/orman-hall-leaves.html>

>>> Recovery Housing Website Launched



Ohio Recovery Housing

Ohio Recovery Housing (ORH), an alliance of individuals and organizations committed to operating quality recovery housing in Ohio, has launched its new website:

www.ohiorecoveryhousing.org. As a state affiliate of the [National Alliance for Recovery Residences](#) (NARR), ORH creates and maintains standards of excellence for recovery housing in Ohio that meet national expectations, and provides opportunities for peer reviews that regularly document an ongoing commitment to ORH quality standards. The website offers a

variety of recovery housing resources, including a recovery residence locator and training and technical assistance information.

>>> ODOT FY 2015 Specialized Transportation Grants Program

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is now accepting [applications](#) for: vehicles, computer hardware/software, communications equipment, capitalized maintenance, mobility management as part of its Specialized Transportation Grants program to support the provision of transportation services to meet the needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities. ODOT is only accepting applications for projects in small urban and rural areas. Applications must be submitted no later than Friday, Feb. 6, 2015. For more information, or to request an application, contact Macie Legge at 614.728.9609 or macie.legge@dot.state.oh.us.

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