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>>> Colletti Named CEO of Heartland Behavioral Healthcare

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services is pleased to announce the appointment of Dave Colletti as Chief Executive Officer of Heartland Behavioral Healthcare (HBH). As CEO, Colletti will oversee a staff of nearly 240 employees and be responsible for the well-being, care and treatment of 124 patients located at the Massillon hospital. In addition to overseeing day-to-day hospital operations, Colletti will also manage hospital relations with the Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Boards in the 11-county catchment area served by the hospital. HBH serves residents from Ashland, Carroll, Columbiana, Holmes, Mahoning, Medina, Richland, Stark, Trumbull, Tuscarawas and Wayne counties. Colletti has served as Assistant Director of Hospital Services since 2012. The appointment affords him an opportunity to return to his northeast Ohio roots. OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck and Deputy Director for Hospital Services Karl Donenwirth will handle Colletti's former duties on an interim basis. [Read the media release.](#)

>>> Board of Pharmacy Announces New Website for Prescription Monitoring Program

The State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy has launched a redesigned website for the state's prescription monitoring program, known as the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS). A fresh design, new features and improved navigation offers visitors to oarrs.pharmacy.ohio.gov a better user experience. The website is more user-friendly, with content that helps OARRS account holders maximize the information contained in the system. This includes an updated frequently asked questions section, guidance documents and three new training videos that take users through the process of registering for an account, running a patient report and reviewing the information contained within an OARRS report. Additionally, the site contains a new statistics feature that allows anyone to create custom county reports and view maps based on aggregate data collected in OARRS. Established in 2006, OARRS is the only statewide database that collects information on all prescriptions for controlled substances that are dispensed by pharmacies and personally furnished by licensed prescribers in Ohio. OARRS data is available to prescribers when they treat patients, pharmacists when presented with prescriptions from patients and law enforcement officers only during active investigations.

>>> Register Now: Ohio Council 2015 Annual Conference & Exhibit Hall – Oct. 22-23



The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers will hold its Annual Conference & Exhibit Hall on Oct. 22-23 at the Hilton

Columbus/Polaris. Plenary presenters include: Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine; Joan King, RN, MSN, CS, Senior Integration Consultant, The National Council for Community Behavioral Health; Dennis Morris, PhD, Chief Clinical Officer, Netsmart; Gary Mohr, Director, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction; Carmen Kestranek, MBA, Senior Director, Office of Patient Experience, Cleveland Clinic; Amy Rohling McGee, President, Health Policy Institute of Ohio; Tracy Plouck, Director, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; Patrick Gauthier, Director of Healthcare Solutions, Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. Please visit www.theohiocouncil.org or contact Brenda Cornett, cornett@theohiocouncil.org, 614.228.0747 for more information.

>>> Save the Date! Strong Families, Safe Communities Virtual Town Hall – Nov. 2

To prevent tragedies from happening in our communities, Ohio is increasing the services that families can engage before they reach a crisis point through the [Strong Families, Safe Communities](#) initiative. Join DODD Director Martin and OhioMHAS Director Plouck for *Kids in Crisis: Preventing tragedies through earlier intervention* -- a virtual town hall on Nov. 2 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. [Register online](#) to attend this free session to learn more about the origins of the project, hear from project partners about successes and lessons-learned as well as how best practices are being shared across the state, and see the list of FY2016 grantees. The town hall also will feature families who will share how the services have made a difference in their lives. An interactive session at the end will allow attendees to ask questions. Once you register, you will receive an email with more information, including system requirements and the steps to join the meeting on Nov. 2.

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