



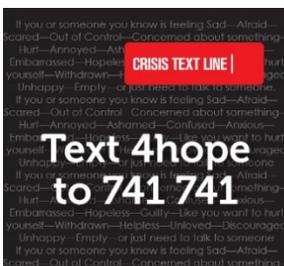
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>>> Ohio Unveils New Crisis Text Line Tool to Connect Ohioans Receive Help Quickly

Ohio is making it easier for individuals who are experiencing a stressful situation to find immediate help, 24/7 with the launch of a free, confidential, statewide [Crisis Text Line](#). Starting today, any Ohio resident who needs help coping with a crisis can now text the keyword **"4hope"** to **741741** to be connected to a crisis counselor. Trained crisis counselors are on stand-by to provide a personal response and information on a range of issues,



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including: suicidal thoughts, bullying, depression, self-harm, and more. The specialist helps the user stay safe and healthy with effective, secure support. The keyword "4hope" was developed by the Stark County Mental Health and Addiction Recovery (StarkMHAR) board, which [piloted](#) a crisis text line for youth and young adults as part of the [Strong Families, Safe Communities funding](#) initiative supported by OhioMHAS and the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.

- [Read the media release](#)
- [Crisis Text Line fact sheet](#)
- [View Stark County Text Line PSA](#)
- [Read coverage in The Columbus Dispatch](#)

>>> REMINDER: CPT Coding & Documentation for Behavioral Health Providers Training – Oct. 3

Time is running out to [register](#) to attend the Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers' [Clinical Practice Change: CPT Coding & Documentation for Behavioral Health Providers](#) training on Oct. 3. The training will be presented by Diane Zucker and held at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North. Click the link for more information. Questions? Please contact Brenda Cornett at cornett@theohiocouncil.org or 614.228.0747.

>>> Applications Sought for Addictions Clinical Roundtable

The Addictions Clinical Roundtable is accepting new member applications. This advisory group meets monthly and works with OhioMHAS to provide direction and support on policy and rules, workforce development and ongoing issues and the clinical needs of the field. If you are interested joining the roundtable, please complete and submit the [Membership Application](#) to the Addictions Clinical Roundtable Co-Chairs carol.kasha-ciallella@rprdm.org; jevans@meridiancommunitycare.org or Secretary, jellis@akron.edu.

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- 9.28.16 | *WDTN-TV* [County officials, ADAMHS builds action plan for heroin epidemic](#)
- 9.28.16 | *Dayton Daily News* [Study: Alcohol and pot remain popular among local teens; Decreases seen in cigarettes, non-prescribed opioids](#)
- 9.26.16 | *Richland Source* [Healing Hearts changes tone of heroin epidemic](#)
- 9.25.16 | *The Ledger* [Special courts push treatment first, jail as last resort](#)
- 9.24.16 | *Lima News* [Suicide Awareness and Prevention Walk honors lives of lost, offers support](#)
- 9.24.16 | *Newark Advocate* [September touts suicide, mental health awareness](#)
- 9.23.16 | *WKSU 89.7-FM* [Rob Portman Talks About his Anti-Drug Legislation During Ohio's Rally for Recovery](#)
- 9.23.16 | *The Daily Standard* [Effort underway to aid residents with mental health issues](#)
- 9/23/16 | *WBNS-10TV* [Rally for Recovery: Stopping the heroin epidemic in Ohio](#)
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