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Dear Licensed Home Operator,

RE: Cash Incentive to Home Operators

In follow up to the announcement letter regarding the new Adult Care Facility/Adult Foster Home (ACF/AFoH) Incentive Program, we would like to extend an invitation to come and learn more about the program and the potential cost-benefits to you.

The program's goal is to improve behavioral and physical health outcomes for residents by incentivizing utilization of community resources while increasing revenue for home operators. The ACF/AFoH Incentive is a cash supplement for ACF and AFoH operators who facilitate the linkage of their homes' residents with local Mental Health and/or Alcohol and other Drug (AOD) providers according to their service needs. All Adult Family, Foster, and Group Home operators licensed by the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) may participate in the ACF/AFoH Incentive Program and are eligible for a cash supplement of *\$176.00 (revised from \$176.04)* annually per bed for qualified residents.

OhioMHAS has been allocated \$750,000 for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2013-14 for the ACF/AFoH Incentive Program. At this time there are approximately 880 licensed homes that may be eligible to participate, yet *only approximately 10% of eligible operators applied in the first quarter* and it is anticipated that a similar number will apply for the second quarter.

Payments will be direct deposited to your account; therefore, operators do not need to have a working relationship with your local mental board, however, encouraged or an ACF Association to participate. Funds will only be disbursed to those operators who have completed the application and become a registered vendor.

If you would like to attend a Question and Answer Session, please feel free to attend any of the following sessions. Please know that space may be limited in several locations and in other locations we will have two (2) sessions in an effort to make this process as easy as possible based on anticipated attendance.

WEATHER NOTE: We are aware that the weather in Ohio can be very unpredictable from day-to-day; therefore, if we must reschedule any of the training sessions due to weather related issues we will post the rescheduled dates and times on the ACF Web page as soon as other arrangements have been made.

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Region:	Southwest	Northwest	Northeast	Central
County:	Hamilton County	Lucas County	Cuyahoga County	Franklin County
Date:	February 13, 2014	February 26, 2014	February 18, 2014	February 24, 2014
Time(s):	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	1:00 – 3:00 PM	9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Time(s):	---	---	1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Location:	Hamilton County MHRS Board	Learning Center - MHRS Board	Cuyahoga County ADAMHS Board	Twin Valley Behavioral Health
Address:	2350 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati 45219	711 Adams Street, Toledo, 43624	2012 West 25 th Street, Cleveland 44113	2200 West Broad Street, Columbus 43223
Room(s):	3 rd Floor - 309	A,E,F	6 th Floor - Ohio	Northwing
Parking:	Free	Quick Park - there is a garage and a surface lot available (at Ontario & Erie Streets)	Free Parking is in the rear of the building/free Valet	Free
Special Instructions:	---	Please come prepared to pay for parking	Registration/Sign-in begins at 9:00 AM	Enter TVBH from West Broad onto Oak Street and follow the street around to the entrance at the left rear of the building.

If you would like to participate in the Incentive Program, but are unable to attend any of the Regional Trainings, please visit Ohio MHAS website at <http://mha.ohio.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=572>. All required forms with instructions have been made available for your convenience. The web site covers such topics as: What is the ACF/AFoH Incentive Program, Who is Eligible to Participate, What is the Application Process, and more.

If you have any additional questions after attending one of the scheduled trainings, after reviewing all of the program information that is available on the web site, then please feel free to contact me by calling (614) 466-7347 or by email at ACF-AFoHIncentive@mha.ohio.gov.

Best wishes,



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