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TO: ADAMHS/ADAS Board Executive Directors
   Current OhioMHAS Funded Prevention, Treatment, Research, Advocacy, Best/Promising Practices, and Collaborations/Partnerships

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Subject: SFY 2015 Grant Information for Applicants (GIFA) Webinar

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar scheduled for May 21, 2014, at 1:00 PM, for grant funded programs. This Webinar will provide OhioMHAS grantees information on the process related to grant applications for SFY 2015, and also provide information on how to submit an application, the review process and the funding/award protocol. This live event will benefit OhioMHAS applicants and serve as a review, and provide information for staff new to the process. We realize that the notice for this webinar is short, and as a result, the webinar will be recorded with FAQs and posted on our website for access at any time. Grantees can also work with their project leads on questions and request technical assistance during the process.

The webinar is just one of the outcomes resulting from the Department’s work with LEAN Ohio to design a single, integrated grant process to improve system performance and reduce regulatory burdens. This involved convening a team comprised of staff and stakeholders who were also customers. With LEAN Ohio’s facilitation team “Integrant Express”, we were able to structure a plan to do the following:

- Create a single process for grant administration for FY 15;
- Position MHAS to participate in any future enterprise grants process;
- Reduce steps and errors in the process;
- Provide a process that demonstrates ease of use for external customers; and
- Design an electronic integrated web-based application.

We were successful in this venture and would like to share this information via a webinar. Below are the necessary instructions to participate in the webinar. A link to view this webinar after the scheduled date will be posted within the funding tab on our website. Other relevant links are there as well. During the GIFA process, please contact your project lead for programmatic and application difficulties, and/or Johanna Pickett Johanna.Pickett@mha.ohio.gov for fiscal matters. If you do not know your project lead, please contact Drew Palmiter at Drew.Palmiter@mha.ohio.gov.
To join this Webinar, you will have two options:

1. Log on to: https://www2.gotowebinar.com/register/548163970

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