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## CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services is committed to helping individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders explore options for transitioning to the community.

### HOW DOES PASRR HELP INDIVIDUALS TRANSITION FROM A NURSING FACILITY TO A COMMUNITY SETTING?

PASRR can play a vital role in helping nursing facilities develop individualized plans of care that support successful transition. The PASRR Level II findings are person-centered. These findings and recommendations help ensure that the nursing facility is aware of the need for services unique to individuals diagnosed with mental illness, and the information can help the nursing facility identify appropriate personnel for providing those services.

**COMMUNITY TRANSITION RESOURCES IN OHIO**

Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services is committed to helping individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders explore options for transitioning to the community.

**RESIDENTIAL STATE SUPPLEMENT**

Provides financial assistance to adults with a disability who can live in eligible living arrangements (i.e., Class Two Residential Facilities or Adult Care Facilities).

[RSS@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:RSS@mha.ohio.gov) | [mha.ohio.gov/RSS](http://mha.ohio.gov/RSS)

614-752-9316

**RECOVERY REQUIRES A COMMUNITY**

Provides financial assistance to adults with a behavioral health diagnosis to transition from nursing homes to sustainable community living.

[Recovery@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:Recovery@mha.ohio.gov) | [mha.ohio.gov/RAC](http://mha.ohio.gov/RAC)

614-644-0617

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

<b>MEDICAID</b>	Ohio Department of Medicaid 1-800-324-8685 • <a href="http://medicaid.ohio.gov">medicaid.ohio.gov</a>	<b>SST/TA APPLICATION</b>	Social Security Administration 1-800-772-1233 • <a href="http://ssa.gov">ssa.gov</a>
<b>HOUSING ASSISTANCE</b>	Housing Locator 1-614-446-7970  HOME Choice 1-855-222-1260  Home & Community-based Waivers 1-800-324-8685	<b>INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES</b>	Ohio OSAR Project 1-614-280-1384 • <a href="http://osar.ohio.gov">osar.ohio.gov</a>
<b>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES</b>	ADAMHC Board Directory 1-877-379-6364 • <a href="http://mha.ohio.gov">mha.ohio.gov</a> Addiction Treatment Providers <a href="http://FindTreatment.gov">FindTreatment.gov</a>	<b>UTILITY ASSISTANCE</b>	Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council 1-800-368-7788 • <a href="http://ohiosic.org">ohiosic.org</a>
<b>JOB ASSISTANCE</b>	Ohio Means Jobs 1-855-296-7541 • <a href="http://ohiomeworks.com">ohiomeworks.com</a>	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	Ohio Department of Job & Family Services 1-877-302-2347 • <a href="http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohio">jfs.ohio.gov/ohio</a>
<b>FOOD &amp; CASH ASSISTANCE</b>	Ohio Department of Job & Family Services 1-614-468-4811 • <a href="http://benefits.ohio.gov">benefits.ohio.gov</a>	<b>LEGAL &amp; ADVOCACY ASSISTANCE</b>	Disability Rights Ohio 1-800-252-9121 • <a href="http://disabilityrights.ohio.gov">disabilityrights.ohio.gov</a>
		<b>EDUCATIONAL REHABILITATION</b>	Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities 1-800-282-4338 • <a href="http://ood.ohio.gov">ood.ohio.gov</a>

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Each PASRR determination includes a resource guide to assist with transition to the community or diversion from a nursing facility. A copy of the resource guide can be found for review at: <https://bit.ly/2Od0fak>.

### HOW TO CONNECT WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT:

- SAMHSA developed an interactive [FindTreatment.samhsa.gov](http://FindTreatment.samhsa.gov) locator for persons seeking treatment facilities within the United States.

- Please contact your local **Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board (ADAMH)** for more specific treatment resources in your area. To find your local board, visit the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities at [oacbha.org](http://oacbha.org).
- The **OhioMHAS Help Line** is ready to assist with questions navigating behavioral health. They are available Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. at 1.877.275.6364.

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## PASRR ORGANIZATION

### LEVEL II DETERMINATIONS

PASRR Level II determinations for individuals diagnosed with mental illness are issued by reviewers defined within OAC 5122-21-03 as:

"licensed mental health clinician who reviews the PASRR screen, supporting documents, the level II assessment, and the summary report to issue the state's determination of whether the individual requires NF services. If the determination is yes, then the reviewer indicates whether the individual needs specialized services for mental illness. If it is determined that the individual is not in need of NF services, then the reviewer may recommend community service that may address the individual's needs."

Ultimately, a reviewer issues a finding of whether an individual diagnosed with mental illness requires the level of services provided in a NF, and whether the individual requires specialized services for mental illness if found to require NF services.

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## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### STATE REVIEWER: DANA HARLOW, LISW-S, LICDC-CS

Dana Harlow has over 30 years' experience within the behavioral healthcare profession and has worked in several positions, including: social worker, office manager for several outpatient sites, supervisor for SAMI/dual diagnosis team and homeless outreach team, and program manager for perinatal substance abuse program for women.



Born and raised in Dayton, Dana studied social work at Ohio University and graduated with his Master of Science in Social Administration at Case Western Reserve University. His area of focus was addiction treatment. Outside of work, Dana enjoys walking, yoga, architecture, playing with his terrier, Nico, and music. His favorite music show is "Live From Here with Chris Thile." He began working for OhioMHAS as a manager within licensure and certification, and joined the PASRR Bureau in 2011.

#### ***Dana, tell us about your typical day.***

I review medical records to determine if individuals diagnosed with mental illness are meeting medical necessity criteria for admission to a nursing facility or meeting criteria to stay in a nursing facility. My role includes completing determination reports that are sent to nursing facilities and psychiatric hospitals about outcome of determinations.

#### ***What is most surprising to you about PASRR?***

How complex the PASRR system is - there are regulations at state and federal levels, as well as the numerous systems involved, and the frequent changes related to how the regulations are interpreted.

***What advice would you give for anyone new to PASRR?***

Ask a ton of questions.

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## **BEST PRACTICE REMINDERS**

### **WHEN SUBMITTING ODM-3622**

- Please submit the most current, and relevant, supporting documents (e.g. if elevated blood sugars are the reason for the request, send the blood sugar readings).
- If you are submitting a 3622 because the individual was admitted into hospice, send the hospice order.
- For Ohio facilities submitting the 3622 on behalf of an Out-of-State facility, request the Level II PASRR assessment from the requesting state before completing a 3622 in HENS and send all the records together.
- When sending in a 3622 for dementia, send supporting medical and not just a diagnosis list.

## **SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK**

Do you have questions about a PASRR-related topic you would like to see covered in a future edition of PASRR Connection, or in a webinar?

Have you hired a new staff person who would benefit from receiving the system overview training?

Are you interested in learning more about how PASRR functions with the mental health population?

**Please send all training inquiries or questions to:  
[MHAS-PASRR-Operations@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:MHAS-PASRR-Operations@mha.ohio.gov)**

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