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John R. Kasich, Governor  
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**April 7, 2017**

**>>> GFMS External Release Note – April 7**

OhioMHAS has shared a new Grants Funding Management System (GFMS) External Release note. Click [HERE](#) to see this important update. All GFMS Release Notes can be found on the OhioMHAS [GFMS External Release Notes webpage](#). For GFMS questions, please contact your Project Lead. Board questions can be addressed by contacting Fiscal at [MHAS\\_FiscalReview@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:MHAS_FiscalReview@mha.ohio.gov). Items related to iPortal or logging into the system can be addressed by contacting the OhioMHAS Helpdesk at 614.466.1483 or via email at [MHAHelpDesk@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:MHAHelpDesk@mha.ohio.gov).

**>>> Forum to Promote Careers in Addiction, Mental Health Fields – April 24**

OhioMHAS is hosting a student and provider workforce development forum on April 24 from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Columbus State Community College.

The forum agenda will highlight information regarding workforce need and benefits. Students will have the opportunity to network with providers and other attendees in the field. Prospective employers will discuss crisis needs in the field, career pathways, internship and career opportunities.

Sheila Raye Charles is the featured forum speaker. Daughter of legendary icon Ray Charles, she is a powerful and dynamic advocate on recovery and the importance of an educated and skilled behavioral health workforce to address issues of addiction and recovery. Providers will have the opportunity to attend a free afternoon Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) training with CEUs awarded. For more information, contact [Adreana.Tartt@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:Adreana.Tartt@mha.ohio.gov) or 614.466.9006.

[View event poster](#)

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**>>> Ohio's 2017 Opiate Conference Registration is Now Live**

The Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, will host [Ohio's 2017 Opiate Conference: Bridges to Recovery](#) on June 12-13, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Columbus. This event has expanded to include two full days of education, information sharing and networking. The conference will provide attendees with the opportunity to hear from local, state, and national leaders and an opportunity to select from more than 50 breakout sessions.

[View the registration packet](#)

[Register Online](#)

**>>> Safe and Healthy Schools Summit Planned for June 6**

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Ohio Department of Education and PreventionFIRST! will be hosting a one day conference, [Safe and Healthy Schools Summit/Supporting Youth Through Evidence-Based Practices](#), June 6 from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Quest Conference Center, 8405 Pulsar Place, Columbus. The purpose of this conference is to provide school staff and behavioral health professionals the opportunity to learn about the successes of the [Safe Schools & Healthy Students federal grant](#) that Ohio has been administering for the past four years. RCHs/Social Work CEU's and CHES hours are being applied for. Questions? Contact Cathy Born at PreventionFIRST! At [cborn@prevention-first.org](mailto:cborn@prevention-first.org) or 513.751.8000, ext. 10.

**>>> 2017 State of the State Address**



In case you missed Gov. John Kasich's 2017 State of the State address Tuesday night, you can view it in its entirety on the Ohio Channel. Click [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) to read the full transcript. Click the links below to view photos from OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck's visits to Firelands Counseling & Recovery Services, Erie Shore Network, Inc., and Genesis by the Lake.

[Firelands Counseling & Recovery Services](#)

[Erie Shore Network, Inc.](#)

[Genesis by the Lake](#)

**In the News**

4.6.17 | *WCPO-TV* [Editorial: Can Ohio do more to fight the heroin epidemic? We asked the state leaders responsible](#)

4.6.17 | *Associated Press* [Addiction researchers eager for \\$20M infusion eyed by Kasich](#)

4.6.17 | *OSU Lantern* [Ohio State, government leaders come together to talk about the opioid crisis](#)

4.6.17 | *WKYC-TV* [Opioids: Know the Risks](#)

4.6.17 | *Morrow County Sentinel* [Access Ohio to open new location in Mount Gilead](#)

4.6.17 | *Springfield News-Sun* [Clark County leaders pledge to fight addiction stigma, OD crisis](#)

4.5.17 | *WKYC-TV* [Local non-profit spreads awareness for suicide prevention](#)

4.5.17 | *Sandusky Register* [State gets grasp on Genesis](#)

4.5.17 | *Sandusky Register* [State, local officials talk opioid epidemic](#)

4.5.17 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [Marketing campaign to warn of opioid risks begins today: Know the Risks](#)

4.5.17 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [“Know the Risks” campaign is critical in fighting Northeast Ohio’s opioid epidemic](#)

4.5.17 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Kasich wants \\$20 million to fight addiction](#)

4.3.17 | *ScienceDaily* [Traumatic brain injuries leave women prone to mental health problems](#)

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