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## **>>> FY17 OhioMHAS Grantees Disbursement Request Submission Deadline**

In order to receive payment by June 30, 2017, disbursement requests for all FY17 OhioMHAS grant funding should be submitted in GFMS *no later than June 9, 2017*. FY 17 disbursement requests submitted after this date will be processed after the re-opening of the OAKS system, on July 1, 2017. If you have any questions regarding disbursement request submission, please contact Michele Sherman at [Michele.Sherman@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:Michele.Sherman@mha.ohio.gov) or 614.644.6124.

## **>>> RFP: Ohio Sobriety, Treatment and Reducing Trauma (START) Training and Technical Assistance**

The 21st Century Cures Act was passed by Congress and signed into law in late 2016. It is designed to modernize health care through enhanced innovation, research and communication, leading to better patient outcomes. The Act also makes new funding available to states beginning in 2017 through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the State Targeted Response (STR) Project to combat the prescription opioid and heroin crisis. Ohio's Opioid STR Project goals focus on building a community system of care that emphasizes service integration between physical health care, emergency health care, behavioral health care, criminal justice and child welfare.

This RFP seeks proposals to develop a training manual, arrange training and technical assistance to local teams participating in Ohio's Sobriety, Treatment and Reducing Trauma (START) project in collaboration with OhioMHAS, the Public Children's Association of Ohio (PCSAO) and the Office of the Ohio Attorney General (AGO). Participating counties currently include: Adams, Athens, Brown, Clermont, Clinton, Fairfield, Fayette, Gallia, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Perry, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton. The successful applicant under this RFP will be funded through OhioMHAS, but will also be collaborating with PCSAO and AGO throughout the performance of the work.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to [CURESSTART@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:CURESSTART@mha.ohio.gov) *by 3 p.m. on June 22*. All questions must be submitted electronically to [CURESSTART@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:CURESSTART@mha.ohio.gov) by 5 p.m. on June 14. Responses will be posted to the [OhioMHAS Funding Opportunities web page](#).

[START RFP 05-2517](#)

[Budget Narrative Template](#)

[SFY 2018 Budget Expenditure Form](#)

[2016 Agreements and Assurances](#)

**>>> RFP: SFY 2018 Evidenced Based Programs to Address First Episode Psychosis**

The Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has notified all states that funding in the amount of an additional 10 percent of the amount of the 2018 federal Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) will be set aside and made available to support evidence-based programs for individuals experiencing their first episode of psychosis (FEP). SAMHSA guidance includes "...the funds from set-aside are only used for programs showing strong evidence of effectiveness and targets the first episode psychosis. The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) has chosen to utilize the set-aside to fund the services and principle components of the Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) approach in areas of the state where there are no existing programs and unmet needs exist. Click [HERE](#) to view the RFP. Proposals must be submitted electronically to [FirstEpisode@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:FirstEpisode@mha.ohio.gov) *by noon on June 23*. Questions must be submitted to the same email. Responses will be posted on the [OhioMHAS Funding Opportunities page](#).

[First Episode Psychosis RFP](#)

[RFP Evaluation Tool](#)

[Budget Narrative Template](#)

[SFY 2018 Budget Expenditure Form](#)

**>>> OSPF Southeast Regional Meeting -- June 20**

On June 20, the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation and Athens-Hocking-Vinton 317 Board will partner to host the first in a series of free regional meetings to bring together local and regional partners. The meeting will be held from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Lodge at Hocking College in Nelsonville. [RSVP](#) by June 16. For more information call 614.585.9473.

**In the News**

5.31.17 | *STAT* [It's time to recognize mental health as essential to physical health](#)

5.31.17 | *USA Today* [Ohio AG's suit blames drugmakers for fueling opiate epidemic](#)

5.31.17 | *WEWS-TV* [Collegiate recovery programs growing in Ohio as opioid addiction continues to rise](#)

5.31.17 | *The New York Times* [A haven from trauma's cruel grip](#)

5.31.17 | *Inside Higher Ed* [Study on LGBQQ Students and Mental Health](#)

5.31.17 | *Crain's Cleveland Business* [VNA of Ohio, ADAMHS Board launch ambulatory detox pilot program](#)

- 5.30.17 | *Fremont News Messenger* [Open mic nights give recovering addicts a creative, positive outlet](#)
- 5.29.17 | *Akron Beacon Journal* [Artist with five years of sobriety creates medal for recovering addicts](#)
- 5.28.17 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Chief deputy: treatment not arrest, best prescription for addiction](#)
- 5.28.17 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Overdose deaths soar](#)
- 5.27.17 | *Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune* [Help is available for those contemplating suicide, and the family left behind](#)
- 5.26.17 | *NPR* [As Brains Mature, More Robust Information Networks Boost Self-Control](#)
- 5.26.17 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [Akron effectively ends veteran homelessness, one of less than 50 U.S. cities to reach 'functional zero'](#)
- 5.26.17 | *Salem News* [Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention Team Coalition offers advice for stores, servers](#)
- 5.26.17 | *The Atlantic* [How the American Health Care Act Would Affect Mental Health Coverage](#)
- 5.26.17 | *New York Magazine* [What is the Connection Between Personality and Mental Illness?](#)
- 5.25.17 | *Putnam County Sentinel* [Drug recovery unit to open in Ottawa](#)
- 5.25.17 | *Wilmington News-Journal* [MHRS to receive \\$430K to expand opiate addiction services](#)
- 5.24.17 | *Hillsboro Times-Gazette* [Scioto Paint introduces director, counselor](#)

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