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>>> GFMS External Release Note – May 17

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. 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.

>>> National Women’s Health Week Resources from SAMHSA

In recognition of National Women’s Health Week (May 14-20) the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration is actively promoting a variety of resources that focus on how behavioral health providers can better meet the unique needs of women and girls. SAMHSA resources include an online course titled [Introduction to Women and Substance Use Disorders](#), which helps counselors and other practitioners working with women to better understand women's substance use, treatment, and recovery experiences, and highlights effective interventions for women. Two recent webinar series, [Girls Matter!](#) and [Women Matter!](#), focused on research, best practices, and key areas related to substance use and mental health concerns of girls and women. They are still available for viewing and continuing education credits. A new webinar series, [Relationships Matter!](#), is also now underway. It focuses on the role of relationships in the lives of women with mental health and substance use issues. Another new resource, [Guidance Document for Supporting Women in Co-Ed Settings](#), offers best practices for supporting women with substance use disorder in co-ed treatment and recovery settings. The guide highlights the importance of understanding and addressing gender differences, fostering cultural sensitivity, and developing healthy relationships. For these and other resources related to women and girls, visit SAMHSA's [Women, Children, and Families Training and Technical Assistance](#).



>>> 2017 Mental Health Conference for School Nurses – July 25-26

The Ohio Department of Health will sponsor the 2017 Mental Health Conference for School Nurses on July 25-26 in Reynoldsburg. The training will provide nurses who work in school settings with knowledge about: Trauma Informed Care; Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment; and Motivational Interviewing. The \$40 fee for those attending both days includes a maximum of 12.5 continuing nursing education contact hours. Register [HERE](#) using Course Number 1070335. Questions? Contact Susan Walker at 614.466.1930 or susan.walker@odh.ohio.gov.

In the News

5.18.17 | *The Times Leader* [Belmont County recognizes Mental Health Awareness Month](#)

5.17.17 | *Youngstown Business Journal* [Addiction is a Disease, Treat it as Such: Roundtable](#)

5.17.17 | *Time* [Why we shouldn't stigmatize mentally ill prisoners](#)

5.17.17 | *WEWS-TV* [Recovery high school opening in Columbus for students battling addiction](#)

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