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>>> Ohio Launches “Be Present” Youth Suicide Prevention and Wellness Campaign



The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) joined with members of the Ohio Youth-Led Prevention Network Youth Council and MEE (Motivational Educational Entertainment) Productions, Inc., today to [announce](#) the launch of a new, multi-media wellness campaign aimed at preventing youth suicides. The Be Present

campaign encourages young people to step up, speak out and be supportive of peers struggling with isolation, depression and other mental health issues. The “Be Present” campaign targets young adults from high school, through college and early adulthood through a website (www.BePresentOhio.org), social media, print ads and digital PSAs. Using the tagline “Your Presence is a Present,” the campaign is especially geared toward young people who are the victims of bullying, those struggling to overcome mental or emotional problems and those who are most at risk of harming themselves. *Pictured: OhioMHAS Assistant Director for Community Services Angie Bergefurd (far left) poses with members of the OYLPN Youth Council and MEE Productions, Inc. Founder and President Ivan Juzang (far right) at today’s Statehouse launch.*

>>> MAT Overview for Coalitions Training – Dec. 12

As part of the implementation of Ohio’s 21st Century Cures grant, Prevention Action Alliance has invited Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) trainers Catherine Brunson and Dorothy Chaney to provide an overview of CADCA’s innovative Medication-Assisted Treatment Pilot. The free training is scheduled for Dec. 12 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Martin De Porres Center in Columbus. Attendees will also receive an overview of the Ohio MAT Project.

Goals for the Ohio MAT Project are to:

- Develop the core competences and capabilities of participating community coalitions to increase awareness around MAT services;
- Assist coalitions in action planning specific to increasing awareness of MAT services;
- Strengthen the capacity and infrastructure of participating coalitions to utilize resources more efficiently and effectively; and
- Educate and inform key community leaders on the benefits and effectiveness of MAT services.

[Registration](#) is required. Lunch will be included with registration, and Continuing Education certificates will be available upon completion.

>>> Effective Supervision for Peer Recovery Supporters Training – Dec. 12

The OhioMHAS Bureau of Recovery Supports will host a free [Effective Supervision for Peer Recovery Supporters training](#) Dec. 12 from 10 a.m.- 2p.m. at Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare, Northwing Conference Center in Columbus. This training is designed for supervisors of Ohio Certified Peer Recovery Supporters. Lunch is on your own.

>>> Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS) Online Licenses

The Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation is making a limited number of Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS) Online training licenses available through Dec. 18. *Licenses are available on a first-come, first-serve basis while supplies last.* CAMS is an evidence-based treatment framework used to assess suicidality and treat suicide risk. CAMS Online is a three-to-four hour, self-paced online course that features a series of videos which provide an overview of the CAMS treatment framework. Sign up for free at ohiospf.org. Click on “Resources” then select “CAMS Online Training. Questions? Please contact Austin.lucas@ohiospf.org.

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11.16.17 | *Warren Tribune-Chronicle* [Courts give cash to help with crisis](#)

11.15.17 | *WFMJ-TV* [Teen suicide increase and social media](#)

11.15.17 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [Teacher education in Ohio to include instruction on preventing opioid abuse](#)

11.15.17 | *Cleveland Plain Dealer* [Summit County teens deliver anti-drug messages to peers at local theaters](#)

11.14.17 | *Ohio Northern News* [Sociology professor tackles opioid use epidemic plaguing area youth](#)

11.14.17 | *STAT* [Smartphones a likely culprit in the recent decline in teen mental health](#)

11.14.17 | *Ohio State News* [Ibuprofen may block damage from fetal-alcohol exposure](#)

11.13.17 | *WFMJ-TV* [Cocaine, crack cocaine and crystal meth return to Mahoning Valley](#)

11.13.17 | *The New York Times* [First digital pill approved to worries about biomedical ‘Big Brother’](#)

11.13.17 | *Record-Courier* [Ravenna Schools to host NOPE Task Force](#)

11.13.17 | *Salem News (column)*

11.13.17 | WEWS-TV [Detox and recovery unit inside Alliance Hospital could be a game-changer in fight against addiction](#)

11.12.17 | USA Today [Army lifts ban on waivers for recruits with history of some mental health issues](#)

11.12.17 | Youngstown Vindicator [Recovery experts point to long-term treatment options in the Valley](#)

11.11.17 | Lima News (editorial) [We can't allow suicide to steal our veterans and young](#)

11.11.17 | Dayton Daily News [Middletown's 'Hillbilly Elegy' author seeks solutions for Ohio's problems](#)

11.10.17 | WCBE 90.5 [Tressel helps highlight Ohio's suicide prevention efforts](#)

11.9.17 | WBNS-10TV [Kasich calls on faith-based organizations to talk about dangers of drug addiction](#)

11.9.17 | Dayton Daily News [Panel: 'Collective effort' makes difference in opioid epidemic](#)

11.9.17 | Elyria Chronicle-Telegram ['It can happen to anyone'](#)

11.9.17 | Cleveland Plain Dealer [Cleveland Street gang found fertile ground for opioid operation in rural Ohio](#)

11.8.17 | The New York Times [Are mass murderers insane? Usually not, researchers say](#)

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