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>>> Survey for Providers Serving Children, Youth and Families – Deadline April 6

OhioMHAS is conducting a [short survey](#) for all behavioral health providers that serve children, youth and families. We would like to hear from you on the service training and technical assistance needs for your organization. The survey takes less than 10 minutes and will be used for planning the types of training and learning communities to offer next fiscal year. In addition, this survey is being used as proxy for identifying service providers/agencies that would be able to partner with us to provide services and supports to youth and young adults in transition (ages 16 to 25). We will use this information for current and future state and federal funding opportunities. **Note: The deadline to take the survey is April 6 (tomorrow).**

>>> New OSAM-o-Gram Highlights Increase in Fentanyl-Cut Drugs

The Ohio Substance Abuse Monitoring (OSAM) Network has released a new OSAM-o-Gram highlighting the increase in illicit street drugs cut with deadly fentanyl. Since OSAM's reporting of June 2015 drug trends, participants throughout OSAM regions have reported fentanyl as a top cutting agent (adulterant) for heroin. View the report [HERE](#).



>>> REMINDER: Second Early Childhood Mental Health Conference — April 23-25

OhioMHAS will host the Second Early Childhood Mental Health Conference "Intentional Transformation Early Childhood Success: Master Plan for Change" April 23-25 at the Hilton — Polaris in Columbus. Dr. Neal Horen from Georgetown University and Dr. Walter Gilliam from Yale will serve as day one keynotes, while Kathleen Mitchell, vice president of the National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, will provide day two keynote remarks. Cost is \$125. Register [HERE](#).

>>> Registration Open: OACCA Spring Conference – May 4-5

Registration is now open for OACCA's Spring Conference: Community Collaboration, scheduled for May 1 and 2 at the Dublin Embassy Suites Hotel in Columbus. This year's theme will focus on how community agencies can collaborate to address problems, including the opiate crisis and prevalence of childhood trauma. OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck and former ODADAS Director Orman Hall will be among the conference's speakers. In addition to over 20 CEU eligible workshops, participants can also receive training in the Myers-Briggs leadership development program, nonprofit fundraising strategies, clinical supervision, and ethics in social work. More information about the statewide conference can be found at www.oacca.org.



>>> Opportunity for Physicians Who Treat Substance Use Disorders



The American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP) was [recently awarded](#) a grant by SAMHSA to expand the availability of opioid use disorder treatment nationwide and is currently seeking to recruit physicians to serve as technical assistant consultants within their local communities. Each consultant meeting eligibility requirements will be paid \$100/hour by AAAP for up to 10 hours a week of work. Physicians must have at least two years of prescribing medications for addictions. If you are interested and willing to be considered as a TA consultant, please complete AAAP's [brief survey](#).

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- 4.5.18 | *Findlay Courier* [State official sees ‘glimmers of hope in Ohio opioid crisis](#)
- 4.5.18 | *NPR* [Surgeon General urges more Americans to carry opioid antidote](#)
- 4.5.18 | *Ironton Tribune* [Event to honor first responders](#)
- 4.4.18 | *Canton Repository* [Child psychiatrists can be hard to find](#)
- 4.4.18 | *Wilmington News-Journal* [Mental Health Recovery Services of Warren-Clinton Counties celebrates first responders in opioid epidemic](#)
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- 4.4.18 | *WLIO-TV* [Auglaize County officials talk about preventing suicide](#)
- 4.4.18 | *Morgan County Herald* [‘Quick Response Team’ helping those with addiction find recovery](#)
- 4.3.18 | *Marietta Times* [Grant will help traumatized students](#)
- 4.3.18 | *Youngstown Vindicator* [Help identify at-risk individuals to get help](#)
- 4.3.18 | *Perry County Tribune* [Start Talking about substance abuse](#)
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- 4.2.18 | *WCMH-TV* [Recovery housing helps recovering addicts fight addiction](#)
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- 4.1.18 | *NBC News* [Health officials are sounding an alarm on the drug gabapentin. And it’s not even an opioid.](#)
- 4.1.18 | *Columbus Dispatch* [Central Ohio hospitals ramp up efforts to reduce maternal deaths amid growing national crisis](#)
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- 3.31.18 | *Akron Beacon Journal* [Haven of Rest turns 75, remembering its founder and planning to grow](#)
- 3.31.18 | *Troy Daily News* [Homeless and addicted](#)
- 3.30.18 | *Findlay Courier* [Phyllis Putnam: Ray of Hope](#)
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