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John R. Kasich, Governor
Mark Hurst, M.D., Director

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>>> **Mike DeWine Sworn In as Ohio's 70th Governor** Flanked by family and friends, Mike DeWine was officially [sworn in](#) as the 70th governor of Ohio at 12:01 a.m. today during a private ceremony at his home in Cedarville. His son, Ohio Supreme Court Justice Pat DeWine, administered the oath, while his wife Fran held a stack of family Bibles. The former U.S. senator and attorney general followed the private ceremony with a [public inauguration](#) at noon in the Ohio Statehouse Rotunda. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about Governor DeWine, Lt. Governor Jon Husted, First Lady Fran DeWine, Cabinet nominees and more.

Immediately after the midnight ceremony, Governor DeWine issued several executive orders:

Executive Order 2019-01D – [Creating the Governor's RecoveryOhio Initiative](#)

Executive Order 2019-02D – [Creating the Governor's Children's Initiative](#)

Executive Order 2019-03D – [Establishing Ohio as a Disability Inclusion State and Model Employer of Individuals with Disabilities](#)

Executive Order 2019-04D – [Elevating Foster Care Priorities in Ohio](#)

Executive Order 2019-05D – [Anti-Discrimination Policy in State Government](#)

Executive Order 2019-06D – [Elevating Prevention within the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services](#)

In the morning, the Governor held his first Cabinet meeting at the Ohio Statehouse. At left, current OhioMHAS Director Mark Hurst, M.D., posed with Lori Criss, Governor DeWine's nominee to lead the department moving forward. Dr. Hurst will remain with the agency and assume a leadership role in clinical services.

>>> **Reminder: Winter Weather Alert – Help Keep Patients Safe From Cold Weather Injuries**

Following this weekend's winter storm that saw temperatures plummet and blanketed much of the state in snow, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Medical Director Justin Trevino, M.D., would like to remind readers to review and share his *Winter Weather Alert*. The Alert contains tips on how to protect inpatient and community clients from cold weather injuries. Click [HERE](#) to view.

>>> **UPDATED RFP: OhioMHAS Quality Housing Criteria (MHA-19-TRS-SOR-HousingQuality-57)**

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) has established effectiveness and efficiency criteria which apply to any housing setting seeking levy, state (operating and capitol) or federal funds distributed by OhioMHAS or a local behavioral health authority. As part of Ohio's State Opiate Response (SOR) grant initiative, OhioMHAS is offering one statewide grant to a Housing Advocacy Organization to assist with administrative duties related to the Quality Housing Criteria.

UPDATED Two informational calls have been planned for **Jan. 16: 9-10:30 a.m. | 614.230.0229 ID: 68193** and **1-2:30 p.m. | 614.230.0229 ID: 87916**. Questions related to this opportunity should be submitted to qualityhousingcriteria@mha.ohio.gov by Jan. 22. **Proposals must be submitted to by Jan. 29.** Awards will be announced Feb. 1 with implementation to begin no later than Feb. 4.

[View RFP \(MHA-19-TRS-SOR-HousingQuality-57\)](#)

[Quality Housing Criteria](#)

[Budget Expenditure Form](#)

[2019 OhioMHAS Agreements and Assurances](#)

[Budget Narrative Template](#)

>>> Trauma Informed Summit Call for Presenters – Deadline Feb. 8

OhioMHAS and the Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) are [accepting proposals](#) for the Sixth Annual Trauma-Informed Care Summit, scheduled for May 14-15. The purpose of the Summit is to move our systems beyond trauma informed to trauma competent. The planning committee is especially interested in proposals that feature best or promising practices in assessment, treatment, support and collaboration to respond to trauma across systems, and in particular, presentations about programs and projects that demonstrate collaboration across systems and that can be replicated in any area of the state are desired. The committee is also interested in programs that feature best or promising practices in responding to culturally specific populations, incorporating cultural values and characteristics, and are intentional about practices that embrace shared learning and uplift cultural wellness. The deadline to submit proposals is Feb. 8.

In the News

1.14.19 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [Mike DeWine's first moves as Ohio governor: Expand anti-discrimination policy, boost fight against opioids](#)

1.14.19 | *Associated Press* [Mike DeWine sworn in as Ohio governor](#)

1.14.19 | *Findlay Courier* [Lifetime achievement award marks social worker's tireless efforts](#)

1.13.19 | *Akron Beacon Journal (Editorial)* [Saving lives in the opiate crisis](#)

1.12.19 | *Kent-Ravenna Record-Courier* [Mental health emergencies a 'challenge' in Portage County](#)

1.11.19 | *Marietta Times* [Meth use up, meth labs down; users changing the way they're obtaining the drug](#)

1.11.19 | *The Plain Dealer* [Cuyahoga County drug overdose deaths decreased sharply in 2018](#)

1.11.19 | *WKRC-TV* [New Ohio attorney general says opioid epidemic will be top priority](#)

1.10.19 | *WTOV-TV* [Mingo native appointed to State Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services](#)

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