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>>> Early Childhood Mental Health Expansion Funding Opportunities

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS), Bureau of Children, Youth and Families, is pleased to announce three new Early Childhood Mental Health funding opportunities to support Ohio's communities infrastructure for children reach critical benchmarks in kindergarten and school readiness, positive parenting, youth preparedness and resilience.

1. Request for Proposals to fund an EMCH consultation capacity across all statewide Early Intervention Teams (in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities). Amount of funding available is \$400,000 per year for up to two years.
2. Request for Proposals to support ECMH Consultation expansion co-location into primary care and/or pediatric health settings; and
3. Request for Proposals to support ECMH Consultation Expansion into underscored areas of the state. Funding available for ECMH capacity expansion is \$850,000 per year for up to two years.

Proposals must be sent to MHAS-ECWorkforce@mha.ohio.gov by 11:59 p.m. on Nov. 22. Questions must be submitted to MHAS-ECWorkforce@mha.ohio.gov by 9 a.m. on Nov. 8. Responses will be posted on the [OhioMHAS Funding Opportunities web page](#). Awards are expected to be announced by Dec. 13.

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>>> Ohio Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Model Staff Trainings

To support fidelity to the Ohio Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health (IECMH) Model, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) will host a series of staff trainings. The "Ohio IECMH Model" will be required for staff seeking initial IECMH credentials and all renewals effective January 2020.

Upcoming trainings include:

Dec. 11-12 | Wood County (Bowling Green) – Registration contact(s):

Carmen.wigal@hopewellhealth.org or rachaelt@crcwoodcounty.org

Jan. 7-8 | Summit County (Akron) – Registration contact(s): Carmen.wigal@hopewellhealth.org or Jflynn@pepcleve.org

March 11-12 | Fairfield County (Lancaster) – Registration contact(s): Carmen.wigal@hopewellhealth.org or

Lynn.Belhorn@nationwidechildrens.org

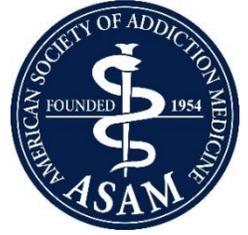


>>> OUCH! That Stereotype Hurts – Nov. 7

Prevention Action Alliance will host *OUCH! That Stereotype Hurts: Communicating Respectfully in a Diverse World* on Nov. 7 from 1-4 p.m. In this training, participants will learn to understand the impact of stereotypes and biased statements; identify the most common reasons people remain silent in the face of bias and stereotypes; and enhance skills for speaking up against stereotypes without blame or guilt. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

>>> ASAM Releases New Definition of Addiction

The American Society of Addiction Medicine ([ASAM](#)) – the nation’s largest organization representing medical professionals who specialize in addiction prevention and treatment – has [updated the society’s definition of addiction](#) to explain more fully the complexity of this chronic disease with the intent of driving a bold and comprehensive national response that creates a future when addiction prevention, treatment, remission and recovery are accessible to all, and profoundly improve the health of all people. The release of the updated definition of addiction coincides with [National Addiction Treatment Week](#), which is recognized from Oct. 21–27.



The updated definition reads:

Addiction is a treatable, chronic medical disease involving complex interactions among brain circuits, genetics, the environment, and an individual’s life experiences. People with addiction use substances or engage in behaviors that become compulsive and often continue despite harmful consequences. Prevention efforts and treatment approaches for addiction are generally as successful as those for other chronic diseases.

In the News

- 10.25.19 | *WOUB-TV* [WOUB Presents “Second Chances” Drug Court Documentary in Athens](#)
- 10.24.19 | *Hamilton Journal-News* [More Butler County courts will focus on serving drug cases next year](#)
- 10.24.19 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [Did you know these drugs can be deadly too? Drug Take Back Day is Saturday](#)
- 10.24.19 | *Wooster Daily Record* [Wayne-Holmes CIT program recognized](#)
- 10.24.19 | *WOSU 89.7* [Understanding anxiety in men](#)
- 10.24.19 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [Doctors are avoiding chronic pain patients, need more education, survey finds](#)
- 10.23.19 | *The Associated Press* [Amid opioid crisis, Ohio boosts support for family caregivers](#)
- 10.23.19 | *The Plain Dealer* [Ohio to receive \\$39M from drug company following investigation into opioid addiction treatment medication Suboxone](#)
- 10.23.19 | *Bowling Sentinel-Tribune* [Gavarone bill to increase access to mental health treatment passes Senate](#)
- 10.22.19 | *CBS News* [Families fight insurers for life-saving care for loved ones with mental health conditions](#)

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