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>>> LACTS Update: Certification Renewals on Hold

Please be advised that due to an unforeseen technological issue, the new Licensure and Certification Tracking System (LACTS), which allows providers to submit initial and renewal applications online, will be temporarily unavailable. This hold only affects providers that are certified to provide mental health and/or addiction treatment services, Drive Intervention Programs, and prevention services. There is no impact on residential facilities, Opiate Treatment Programs, or private psychiatric hospital licenses.

A solution has been identified and will take approximately four weeks to implement. In the meantime, providers may continue to submit paper requests, especially if you have a time-sensitive request to add a new service or location. If your organization is close to the deadline to submit a renewal application, and you prefer to wait to use LACTS, there will be no penalty for submitting a late application. The Department will notify all users once LACTS is fully operational again. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to improve the licensure process.

Issues Finding Your New Account?

We have received feedback that some currently certified/licensed providers may be having difficulty finding their organization while trying to create a LACTS account. The most likely cause for this is that we do not yet have your organization's federal EIN (also known as a federal tax ID number) and governing structure (for-profit, not-for-profit, LLC, government, partnership or sole proprietor), which are required for LACTS. You may submit this information to the Department by emailing Charlotte.Curnutte@mha.ohio.gov or by calling 614.728.4374. Please be prepared to provide your agency and/facility name(s), city, federal tax ID and governing structure. Department staff will directly contact agencies and residential facilities that have not submitted this information. Updates will be entered into LACTS weekly. Once your information is added, you will be able to access your new account. If you have questions on the LACTS system, or your agency's information, please email MHAHelpdesk@mha.ohio.gov or call 614.466.1483.

>>> Three Ohio Institutions of Higher Education Tapped to Receive Campus Suicide Prevention Funds

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services, has announced that three Ohio colleges/universities have been selected to receive Campus Suicide Prevention grant funds. Awardees include: **The Notre Dame College of Ohio** (\$64,840); **The University of Akron** (\$88,187); and **Wright State University** (\$424,945). The funds are intended to reduce the adverse consequences of serious mental illness and substance use disorders, including suicidal behavior, substance-related injuries, and school failure.

>>> G.A.P. Network Regional Summits

Prevention Action Alliance, with support from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS), will host a series of free regional summits to provide support to families who have lost a loved one to an overdose gain knowledge and resources to become more resilient. Registration is now open for the Southwest and Northwest G.A.P. (Grief to Advocacy for Prevention) Network Regional Summits. The Southwest Regional Summit will take place Jan. 18 at the Dayton Women's Club. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register. The Northwest Regional Summit will take place Feb. 8 at Hancock Public Health in Findlay. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

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