



# News Now

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## >>> Employment Services Gap Funding

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is committed to providing support for employment services providers. The State Opiate Response (SOR) project has made approximately \$112,500 available to OhioMHAS-certified employment support service providers, between June 22, 2020 and Sept. 28, 2020, to cover ancillary services related to employment for persons with opiate use disorder or a history of opioid overdose. The funds are intended to help meet employment-related needs to assist individuals with obtaining, retaining, or advancing in employment, such as providing assistance with transportation costs, interview clothing, etc. All funds must be expended by Sept. 28, 2020 as carry over will not be available. Applicants will need to complete and submit the [Funding Application](#) to: [SORtreatment@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:SORtreatment@mha.ohio.gov) with the subject line: SOR Employment Services Gap Funding Application.

## >>> Peer Recovery Supporter Facilitator Training – Deadline Extended

**Due to a lower number of applicants in the geographical area, the deadline to apply for Peer Recovery Supporter Facilitator Training has been extended for the following counties ONLY:** Adams, Allen, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Brown, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clermont, Clinton, Coshocton, Crawford, Darke, Defiance, Delaware, Erie, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Gallia, Greene, Guernsey, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Harrison, Henry, Highland, Hocking, Huron, Jackson, Jefferson, Knox, Lake, Lawrence, Licking, Logan, Lucas, Madison, Marion, Meigs, Mercer, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Morrow, Muskingum, Noble, Ottawa, Paulding, Perry, Pickaway, Pike, Preble, Putnam, Ross, Sandusky, Scioto, Seneca, Shelby, Union, Van Wert, Vinton, Warren, Washington, Williams, Wood, and Wyandot. For individuals from **the aforementioned counties ONLY**, the new deadline to apply is: **Thursday, July 16**. Click [HERE](#) to download the facilitator application.

## >>> Protective Factors For Healing From Trauma In BIPOC Communities Webinar – July 10

Mental Health America is hosting a free Protective Factors for Healing from Trauma in BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) Communities webinar on July 10 from 2:15-3:15 p.m. The webinar will highlight examples of community based healing practices, and discuss how they differ from traditional mental health treatment approaches. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

## >>> MAT Induction in the Emergency Department Learning Community

The MetroHealth Office of Opioid Safety, with support from OhioMHAS, will host the first of a 12-part learning community series on MAT Induction in the Emergency Department on July 13 at 4 p.m. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

## >>> July OCAM Webinar Schedule Released

The Ohio Coaching and Mentoring (OCAM) Network has released its schedule of webinars for July 2020. Click the links below for more information.

**July 10:** 10-11:30 a.m. | [Activities for Young People on Zoom](#)

**July 14:** 10-11:30 a.m. | [Ineffective Prevention Strategies \(and how to make them effective\)](#)

**July 14:** 1-2:30 p.m. | [All About Me – The Importance of Self-Care](#)

**July 15:** 9-Noon | [Prevention Ethics](#)

**July 17:** 10-11:30 a.m. | [Organizational Development: What Prevention Professionals Need to Know](#)

July 21: 9-10:30 a.m. | [All About Me – The Importance of Self-Care](#)  
July 21: 1-2:30 p.m. | [Policy and Prevention: Taking Advocacy to the Statehouse](#)  
July 23: 1-2:30 p.m. | [Trauma-Informed Approaches: Key Assumptions and Principles](#)  
July 28: 1-4 p.m. | [Prevention Ethics](#)

### >>> Virtual National PAX Partner Training – July 27-29

The [Paxis Institute](#) is hosting an online national PAX Partner training July 27-29. The training provides coaching and support training to professionals that will guide PAX Good Behavior Game implementations in the school. Cost for the two-day training is \$850 per person (includes PAX Partner Kit, training materials, shipping/handling). The deadline to [register](#) is July 12.



### >>> Path to Prevention Certification Position Statement

Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board Executive Director Jill Smock has issued a new [Position Statement](#) on the Path to Prevention Certification. Changes take effect Nov. 1, 2020, and will apply to anyone interested in obtaining a Prevention Credential. The purpose of this Position Statement is to provide general information and educational direction to the public and Board employees to navigate the statutory requirements for the path to prevention certification for a Register Applicant (RA), Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist Assistant (OCPSA), Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist (OCPS), and Ohio Certified Prevention Consultant (OCPC) certification of the relevant Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) sections.

### >>> Summer Health and Safety Information from NIAAA

Summer is typically a wonderful season for outdoor activities and spending additional time with family and friends. For some people, these activities include drinking alcoholic beverages. In light of the coronavirus pandemic as well as the negative consequences associated with drinking, it is particularly important this summer to take measures to protect your own health and that of your loved ones. Click [HERE](#) to view important resources from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

For more information on Ohio's response to COVID-19, visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov) or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634). For behavioral health-specific information, visit: <https://mha.ohio.gov/coronavirus>. For behavioral health-related questions, email [covid19BH@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:covid19BH@mha.ohio.gov). For COVID-19-related OTP questions, email [OTP\\_COVID19@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:OTP_COVID19@mha.ohio.gov), for Housing questions, email [COVID19Housing@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:COVID19Housing@mha.ohio.gov) and for Telehealth questions, email [COVID19BHTelehealth@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:COVID19BHTelehealth@mha.ohio.gov). COVID Careline 1-800-720-9616. Click [HERE](#) for a list of pop-up COVID-19 Testing Sites.

### In the News

7.8.20 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [Ohio, Kentucky patient drug-test results surge as 'collateral damage' from pandemic](#)  
7.8.20 | *Elyria Chronicle-Telegram* [Dan Haight named CEO of The LCADA Way, Tom Stuber to remain president](#)  
7.7.20 | *Dayton Daily News* [Bill could make remote addiction treatment permanent](#)  
7.7.20 | *WCPN 90.3* [Senior suicides are increasing in Northeast Ohio](#)  
7.7.20 | *WDTN-TV* [Ohio company gauges public feelings with 'coronavirus panic index'](#)  
7.7.20 | *Mahoningmatters.com* [Ohio research brings to light brain injuries from domestic abuse](#)  
7.6.20 | *USA Today* [Mental health meltdown feared as states pause reopenings amid surge in cases](#)  
7.6.20 | *Cincinnati Enquirer* [Suicide in Ohio: 37 of 88 counties above the U.S. average, and the pandemic could cause a spike](#)  
7.6.20 | *Cleveland.com* [Ohio deaths by suicide explode in past decade, and landmark study says could worsen due to coronavirus pandemic isolation](#)  
7.5.20 | *WEWS-TV* [Musician breaks down stigma surrounding mental health in Black community](#)

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