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## >>> Ohio Peer Supporter Facilitator Trainings

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) is pleased to announce recruitment and training for facilitators for the Integrated Model Peer Support Curriculum. We are looking for facilitators to contract with the department. Candidates for Facilitator Training will need a flexible schedule and availability to commit to facilitate 40-hour weekday and/or weekend trainings. Candidates for Facilitator Training must have a direct lived experience and be in recovery from a mental health and/or substance use issue. **The dates of the trainings are to be determined.** These trainings will include didactic learning designed to enhance individual skills for guiding and engaging others, teach group facilitation, understand the roles and responsibilities of facilitators, and expand participants' understanding of mediating group process. Ultimately, participants will develop skills to ensure that the trainees understand their roles as Ohio Peer Supporters.



### This is a selective application process. Applicants will be selected based on the below criteria:

- Experience in training and/or group facilitation
- Experience in training and/or group facilitation using an online training platform (Zoom, GoToMeeting, etc.)
- Experience working with individuals with mental health and/or substance use issues.
- Knowledge of Peer Support, mental health issues, and Substance Use Disorders
- Answers provided on the application
- References

Click [HERE](#) to access the Facilitator Training Application. The deadline to apply is **June 28, 2020**. For questions, please e-mail [facilitatortraining@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:facilitatortraining@mha.ohio.gov).

## >>> OhioMHAS Grant Funds Statewide Mental Health First Aid Training Collaboration

Mental Health America of Northern Kentucky and Southwest Ohio has been awarded a \$1.25 million grant from OhioMHAS to fund a collaborative to develop a sustainable, statewide strategy to focus on the efficient delivery of [Mental Health First Aid](#) (MHFA) for Adolescents and Transition-Age Youth, Mental Health First Aid for Older Adults, Mental Health First Aid for Minority Populations, and Mental Health First Aid for Faith and Spiritual Communities. The non-profit collaborative created to implement the grant also includes: Miami University's Center for School-Based Mental Health Programs and the University's Discovery Center for Evaluation, Research, and Professional Learning; Mental Health America of Ohio; the Ohio Mental Health Network for School Success; as well as support from regional and national MHFA experts. Combined, these organizations have already certified more than 7,900 individuals in Mental Health First Aid and Youth Mental Health First Aid in Ohio.



To schedule a virtual training for your group or organization, or for more information, please contact:

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## >>> Ohio Prevention Conference Virtual Training Series

Mark your calendars for the following featured presentations offered as part of the Ohio Prevention Conference Virtual Training Series. Click the links for details, presenter bios, and to register online.

June 29 – 9-11:30 a.m. | [Reframing Prevention: An Introduction to evidence-based communications](#)

June 29 – 1-2:15 p.m. | [Academic Outcomes, Blackouts, and Cognitive Effects: Going Beyond The ABCs of Alcohol's Effects and Exploring Evidence-Based Prevention/Intervention Opportunities](#)

June 30 – 9:30-10:45 a.m. | [Fostering Emotional and Behavioral Health for Children](#)

June 30 – 1-2:15 p.m. | [Screen Time: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly](#)

July 1 – 9:30-10:45 a.m. | [The Role of Preventionists in Accelerating Health Equity and Communities of Well-being](#)

July 1 – 1-2:15 p.m. | [Suicide Prevention Plan for Ohio: How We All Play a Role](#)



## >>> 18<sup>th</sup> Annual NADD State of Ohio MI/DD Conference – Sept. 14-16

NADD, in partnership with OhioMHAS and the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, will host the virtual [18<sup>th</sup> Annual State of Ohio MI/DD Conference](#) Sept. 14-16. Recently announced keynote speakers include: Karyn Harvey, Dr. Allison Cowan, and Dr. Stephen Ruedrich. Conference planners are currently [accepting proposals](#) for 90-minute workshops. Please refer to the [presentation checklist](#) for guidelines. The deadline to submit a proposal is June 26.

## >>> Upcoming SAMHSA Webinars

**June 18** – 10:30 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. | [Forward Together: A Virtual Symposium on Improving Access to Effective Care for People Experiencing Homelessness, Serious Mental Illness, and Substance Use Disorders](#)

Join SAMHSA's Homeless and Housing Resource Network for a day of learning from nearly two dozen national experts, policy makers, and providers in large plenaries and smaller concurrent sessions. All those working at the intersection of serious mental illness, substance use or co-occurring disorders and homelessness, will find engaging sessions. No travel is required—attend directly from your own internet-connected computer. Join us for the whole summit or drop in to only those sessions that most appeal to you. See the full agenda and more event information on the [registration page](#).

**June 22** – 6 p.m. | [Building Skills for Cross-Cultural Communication and Resilience During COVID-19](#)

This workshop explores stereotypes, biases, and disparities related to COVID-19. Participants will gain skills to recognize and interrupt bias in a compassionate manner using tools for cross-cultural communication.

**June 25** – 2-3 p.m. | [Recovery LIVE! Supporting the Resilience of Black Men: Culturally Affirming and Responsive Approaches to Engagement, Treatment, and Recovery](#)

SAMHSA's Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale Technical Assistance Center Strategy (BRSS TACS) invites you to join national experts in a conversation about the experiences of black men with mental illness, substance use disorder (SUD), or both. Our presenters will highlight current research and describe best practices and promising strategies for supporting the recovery of black men.

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.

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