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Seeking Sources of Strength Trainers as State TOTs

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS), in partnership with the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation and PreventionFIRST!, is seeking individuals to participate in two upcoming training of trainer opportunities for the [Sources of Strength](#) Secondary and Elementary Programs. For questions or more information on either of the opportunities, please contact Julie Cameron at 513.264.3229 or julie@prevention-first.org

Sources of Strength Elementary Curriculum – Dec. 9-10: A stipend of \$125/day will be provided for a total of \$250 at the training completion. Coaches required to host a minimum of two trainings throughout the year with a school or other youth-serving organization. Principals, teachers and key stakeholders invited to learn more about the latest move in upstream prevention. [REGISTER](#)

Sources of Strength Secondary Program – Dec. 14-17: \$125/day stipends will be provided for a total of \$500 at training completion. Trainers will be required to host a minimum of two trainings throughout the year with a school or other youth-serving organization. [REGISTER](#)

>>> PAX Tools and PAX Tools for School@Home Community Educator Trainings

The PAXIS Institute is sponsoring several upcoming virtual training opportunities to highlight PAX Tools, a promising practice comprised of nine individually evidence-based and trauma-informed strategies which improve cooperation and self-regulation in young people. PAX Tools can be used by parents and other caregivers to create nurturing environments for children and youth in homes and other community settings. PAX Tools is built on the same science as the PAX Good Behavior Game, a school-based classroom intervention used by teachers to teach self-regulation. A virtual training will be held **Dec. 14 from 11 a.m.-8 p.m.** Cost is \$850. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register. The Paxis Institute will also host a PAX Tools for School@Home trainings on Dec. 8-9 and 15 for those already trained in PAX Tools. PAX Tools for School@Home provides parents and caregivers with research-based strategies to improve their children's focus, motivation, stamina, and a number of other skills that specifically help children improve their study habits and outcomes while learning at home. Cost is \$400. [Dec. 8-9, 12-3:30 p.m.](#) (attendance required for both days) or [Dec. 15, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.](#) For more information, email paxtools@paxis.org.



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>>> Stage I: Gambling, Problem Gambling, and Ohio's Service System Training – Dec. 2-4

The Problem Gambling Network of Ohio is hosting a virtual [Stage I: Gambling, Problem Gambling, and Ohio's Service System](#) training on Dec. 2-4 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. each day. The training provides 12 continuing education hours of gambling specific education and serves as an introduction to the world of gambling and problem gambling, with a focus on Ohio's current service system. Participants will hear from experts in the field of prevention and treatment, recovery advocates, and partners in regulation and operation.

>>> Recovery Housing Board Outcomes Webinar – Dec. 16

Ohio Recovery Housing will host an [ORH Outcomes Tools: What County Boards Should Know](#) webinar on Dec. 16 at 10 a.m. While operators of recovery housing are invited to monthly webinars to learn about how to access and utilize the ORH outcomes tools, this webinar is a time for county Mental Health and Recovery Boards to learn more about their role in the ORH outcomes tools. Note: this webinar is not an outcomes tools webinar for operators. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register online.



Ohio Recovery Housing

>>> 2021 E/M Coding and Documentation for Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine Training

The Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association has announced an educational training on “Getting Ready for the Changes in E&M: 2021 E/M Coding and Documentation for Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine” for Dec. 17. Big changes are ahead in the coding, documentation and payment of evaluation and management services, effective **Jan. 1, 2021**. Participants will learn about these changes as well as coding for therapy, substance use disorders, telehealth/telepsychiatry, and more. There are four separate webinars, available on-demand, so participants may view at their own pace, at a time that is convenient to them. Register for the series and participate in the live Q&A webinar on Dec. 17. Click [HERE](#) for more information and [HERE](#) to register.

>>> Home Relief Grants Available Through Local Community Action Agencies

Ohio has allocated \$50 million from the Coronavirus Relief Fund from the CARES Act to 47 Community Action Agencies to help Ohioans who have experienced economic hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohioans who are behind on rent, mortgage, and water and/or sewer utility bills may be able to receive assistance through [Home Relief Grants](#). Assistance can be applied to outstanding rent, mortgage, water, and/or sewer bills back to April 1, 2020. Ohioans can receive monthly assistance until the program ends on Dec. 30, 2020. Ohio households with an annual income at or below 200% percent of the federal poverty guidelines will be eligible for assistance. For a family of four, that is an annual income up to \$52,400. Individuals who are currently unemployed will only need to provide proof of income for the last 30 days for verification purposes. Click [HERE](#) for information on how to apply.

For information on Ohio's response to COVID-19, visit 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. For COVID-19-related OTP questions, email OTP_COVID19@mha.ohio.gov, for Housing questions, email COVID19Housing@mha.ohio.gov and for Telehealth questions, email COVID19BHTelehealth@mha.ohio.gov. COVID Careline 1-800-720-9616. Click [HERE](#) for a list of pop-up COVID-19 Testing Sites and [HERE](#) for the latest SAMHSA COVID-19 training and technical assistance resources.

In the News

11.17.20 | *WEWS-TV* [Study: COVID-19 can lead to psychiatric disorders](#)

11.17.20 | *Tiffin Advertiser-Tribune* [ODH releases overdose death data](#)

11.16.20 | *The News-Herald* [Elyria Spero Health opens to battle addiction, offers support services](#)

11.16.20 | *WTVG-TV* [Team Recovery opens new sober living housing](#)

11.16.20 | *WKEF-TV* [Local law enforcement increase use of mental health services for call response](#)

11.16.20 | *NBC News* [Unemployed face additional mental health burdens as joblessness stretches on](#)



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