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>>> RFP: SOR 2.0 Integrating Behavioral Health Care (MHA-FY21-SOR-IBHS-CommPln-20)

As part of Ohio's State Opioid Response project, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) has released a request for applications (RFA) for Integrated Behavioral Health Care (MHA-FY21-SOR-IBHS-CommPln-20) with the intent of awarding up to \$50,000,000 per year to Boards, which will in turn support substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery programs in their communities. County boards are encouraged to fund services and supports incorporated in their annual community plans addressing the boards' vision to establish a culturally competent system of care and the boards' work to achieve that vision. Boards are encouraged to demonstrate that they are addressing a Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC) meeting the following criteria: "The central focus of a ROSC is to create an infrastructure or "system of care" with the resources to effectively address the full range of substance use problems within communities. The specialty substance use disorder field provides the full continuum of care (prevention, early intervention, treatment, continuing care and recovery) in partnership with other disciplines, such as mental health and primary care, in a ROSC." Questions must be submitted to SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov by **Nov. 6 at 11:59 p.m.** Responses to questions will be posted to the [OhioMHAS Funding Opportunities web page](#), where an informational webinar will be scheduled and announced. Applications must be submitted to SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov by **Nov. 20 at 11:59 p.m.**

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>>> Connecting People in Communities of Color the Best Possible Way – Oct. 28

The Police, Treatment, and Community Collaborative (PTACC), in partnership with the Frontline Responders Network, is sponsoring a "Conversation with the Field: Connecting People in Communities of Color the Best Possible Way" webinar on Oct. 28 at 1 p.m. The focus of this webinar is healing relationships between law enforcement, and black and brown communities, avoiding stigmatization of people and organizations, and options for communities such as EMS/Social Work responses to non-violent community calls, with a priority on connecting people to treatment, housing, services, and resources to meet their needs in the best way possible for that person. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register online.

>>> Financial Wellness Fundamentals Roundtable – Nov. 2

OhioMHAS, in partnership with Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery, will host a virtual Financial Wellness Fundamentals Roundtable on Nov. 2 at 4 p.m. The free roundtable will include an individual in recovery, a clinical perspective, and a financial expert. The discussion will focus on: pitfalls and struggles that lead to financial hardships; money in recovery; and skills crucial to recovery and financial wellness. Click [HERE](#) to register.



>>> Ohio Crisis Academy: Children's Crisis Response – Nov. 18

OhioMHAS, in partnership with RecoveryOhio and the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities, will host the next installment of its virtual Crisis Academy, "Children's Crisis Response," on Nov. 18 at 9 a.m. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

>>> Emotional, Physical Challenges Experienced by First Responders – Nov. 17

The First Responders Network is hosting a “Conversation with the Experts” on Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. to examine the emotional and physical health challenges experienced by first responders. The session will be moderated by Dr. Bob Lynn and feature remarks from Scott Allen, retired police chief. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

>>> OYLPN Virtual Ohio Adult Allies Summit – Dec. 1-2

The Ohio Youth Led Prevention Network will hold its seventh annual [Adult Allies Summit](#) on Dec. 1-2. This year's theme, “Creating Opportunities for Youth to Lead: Engaging Young People During Times of Crisis,” speaks to the challenges and opportunities youth-led programs have and will continue to have addressing complicated problems in their communities. The Summit will explore a variety of topics including: culturally competent service delivery; engaging youth and communities in virtual settings; and messaging on the value of youth-led programs. Registration information, as well as speakers and a full schedule, will be announced soon. Watch the [Ohio Adult Allies Summit webpage](#) for updates.



>>> OCAAR “Peers Helping Peers” Weekly Online Support Group

Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery sponsors a weekly, online “Peers Helping Peers” support group for Certified Peer Recovery Supporters. The Zoom-based meetings are peer-led, peer-driven, and a place where peers can discuss struggles, successes and strengthen their own recovery journey. Meetings take place **every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.** To join the group, use **Zoom Meeting ID: 292 60 1390.**

>>> Recovery Housing Webinars

Ohio Recovery Housing is sponsoring several trainings to support owners/operators and residents of recovery housing. Upcoming training opportunities include:

Best Practices for Supporting Residents on MAT in Recovery Housing
[Nov. 16](#) | [Jan. 28](#) | [March 10](#)



Ohio Recovery Housing

Social Model of Recovery in Recovery Housing

[Dec. 2](#) (Level III) | [Dec. 16](#) (Level I)

Best Practices for LGBTQ+ Inclusion in Recovery Housing

[Dec. 8](#)

Using Your Data Dashboard

[Dec. 10](#)

Outcomes Tools Training

[Nov. 11](#) | [Dec. 15](#) | [Jan. 12](#)

ORH Outcomes Tools: What County Boards Should Know

[Dec. 16](#)

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 SAMHA COVID-19 training and technical assistance resources.

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