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>>> ODH COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Toolkit

The Ohio Department of Health has released an updated [COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Toolkit](#). The toolkit has been developed with talking points, language tips, social media language, and trusted resources to help you better communicate about the safe, effective COVID-19 vaccines that have arrived in Ohio. This kit will be expanded with additional resources and is being provided to support your immediate needs.

>>> Ad Council COVID-19 Vaccine Education Downloadable Materials

The Ad Council and the COVID Collaborative have released a new resource designed to address healthcare professionals' questions about COVID-19 vaccination. Organized in the form of a toolkit, the resource includes videos (featuring Dr. Anthony Fauci and other leading healthcare and medical experts), a press release, FAQ's, talking points, social media posts and many customizable materials. Topics addressed include safety, availability, cost, side effects, vaccine administration, answering patients' questions and more. Click [HERE](#) to download the toolkit from the National Public Health Information Coalition website.

>>> 19th Annual NADD State of Ohio MI/ID Conference – Call for Presenters

The 19th Annual NADD State of Ohio MI/ID Conference will be held on July 12-14. All sessions will be 90 minutes and presented in real time on a virtual platform. Conference planners are currently [seeking workshop proposals](#). Proposals must focus on supporting individuals with a dual diagnosis of mental illness and intellectual/developmental disability. The deadline to submit workshop proposals is midnight on Feb. 1

>>> CDC Resources to Help Children Learn at Home

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has released a [new resource page](#) to help children learn at home. The materials help parents and caregivers prioritize their own well-being while providing guidance on how to get support to facilitate at-home learning, stay in touch with a child's school; ask about available school services; and create schedules and routines for learning at home.

>>> Peer Recovery Support Technical Assistance

Is your organization interested in implementing peer recovery support services? The PEER Center, in partnership with OhioMHAS, provides [implementation readiness and technical assistance](#) to help you establish this important service in your community. Learn more by sending an email to peersupportagencyta@thepeercenter.org.

>>> NIAAA Director's Blog: Taking a Break from Alcohol Can be Good for Your Health

As the New Year rolls in, many people examine their lifestyle choices, including their relationship with alcohol. These observations often lead to New Year's resolutions, such as participating in "Dry January." Dry January is a health and wellness trend that emphasizes taking a break from alcohol for an entire month. This break gives you a chance to evaluate your relationship with alcohol and allows you to gain an understanding of what is motivating you to drink and how it is impacting your life. The insights gained while taking a



break from alcohol can help guide better choices moving forward. Click [HERE](#) to read more from George F. Koob, Ph.D., director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

Pop-Up Testing Sites

WANT TO GET TESTED FOR COVID-19?

ANYONE CAN GET A NO-COST TEST AT THESE LOCATIONS WEEK OF JAN. 5- JAN. 9

JAN. 5	Marysville* Union County Fairgrounds 845 N. Main St. Marysville, Ohio 43040 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	JAN. 7	Steubenville Fort Steuben Mall 100 Mall Drive Steubenville, Ohio 43952 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	JAN. 9	Saint Clairsville Ohio University Eastern Campus Parking Lot 45425 National Rd. W. Saint Clairsville, Ohio 43950 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	JAN. 9	Wooster Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center 1680 Madison Ave. Wooster, Ohio 44691 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
				Wauseon Fulton County Fairgrounds – Junior Fair Building 8514 OH-18 Wauseon, Ohio 43567 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.			

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*** MARYSVILLE SITE**
Appointments strongly encouraged.
<https://unioncountycovid.org/testing/>
Only a limited number of drive ups can be accepted.

coronavirus.ohio.gov

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, for Telehealth questions, email COVID19BHTelehealth@mha.ohio.gov, and for Vaccine questions email BHCOVID19vaccine@mha.ohio.gov. Ohio 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

- 1.6.21 | *Zanesville Times-Recorder* [Addiction clinic opens in Thornville with eye on long-term recovery in rural areas](#)
- 1.5.21 | *WKBN-TV* [Pandemic creates more concerns for those battling drug addiction](#)
- 1.5.21 | *WTVG-TV* [Toledo Police utilizing crisis intervention training](#)
- 1.5.21 | *PR Newswire* [National program discusses importance of Black people and mental health and wellness amid COVID](#)
- 1.4.21 | *CNN* [Mental health is one of the biggest pandemic issues we'll face in 2021](#)
- 1.4.21 | *USA Today* [Amid pandemic, teachers' mental health suffers in ways they've never experienced.](#)
- 1.4.21 | *The New York Times* ['Relapsing left and right': Trying to overcome addiction in a pandemic](#)
- 1.4.21 | *WOWK-TV* [Stimulus checks pose risks for those with gambling addiction](#)
- 1.4.21 | *EurekAlert!* [Focusing on diversion yields positive results for kids with behavioral health issues](#)

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