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>>> Co-Occurring Mental Illness/Intellectual Disability Needs Assessment Survey

The Ohio Departments of Mental Health and Addiction Services and Developmental Disabilities invite providers to participate in a Co-Occurring Mental Illness/Intellectual Disability Needs Assessment [survey](#). Responses will help inform policy decisions, plan trainings, and identify barriers to mental health care for individuals with co-occurring mental illness and intellectual disabilities. Survey responses are requested by **March 26**.

>>> MACC Presents Cultural Competence in Corporate America – March 25



As part of its 2021 “Cultural Conversations” Speaker Series, Multi-Ethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence (MACC) will present [Cultural Competence in Corporate America](#) on March 25 from 6-7:30 p.m. During this Cultural Conversation, Susan Reilly Salgado, Ph.D., will share a model of organizational culture as a framework for thinking about how this applies to your company’s culture. Susan’s expertise lies at the intersection of organizational culture and leadership, and is rooted in years of research and consulting in myriad industries. [Listen to a video invitation from Susan](#).

>>> “Life is Better With You Here” Pop-Up Events

As part of an ongoing effort to spread awareness about mental health in the Black community, the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation has announced that it will host pop-up events in **Cleveland** (April 10, 1-3 p.m. at [Concession Stand](#)), **Cincinnati** (April 24, 1-3 p.m. at [Corporate](#)), and **Columbus** (May 1, 1-3 p.m. at [Sole Classics](#)). The events will highlight the Life is Better With You Here campaign. Click [HERE](#) to view a brief video about the campaign and [HERE](#) to view the campaign website. For more information, please email Keiko.Talley@ohiospf.org.



>>> Peer Leadership Training Series

[Mental Health America of Ohio](#) and [The Communities Project](#), with support from OhioMHAS and the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Franklin County, have announced a new leadership training series for peer recovery supporters. All virtual training sessions are held from 12:45-4 p.m. Participants will have access to six months of leadership coaching post-training. Upcoming training dates and topics include:

[Leadership Training](#) | May 6-7, May 13-14 or May 17-18

[Leadership and Conflict Workshop](#) | May 21

[Goals, Strategies and Tactics Workshop](#) | May 25

>>> OhioMHAS Capital Dollars at Work: Jeff Wyler Club Video Tour

The OhioMHAS Bureau of Capital Management and Planning supports a number of brick and mortar projects throughout Ohio. Check out this [video tour](#) of the recently completed \$1.2 million Jeff Wyler Boys & Girls Club in suburban Cincinnati. The Club, which includes several classrooms and a gymnasium, provides a safe, nurturing space after school for children ages 5-18. OhioMHAS contributed \$500,000 toward the project. Read more in [The Clermont Sun](#).

>>> Reminder: National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week – March 22-28

Registration is now open for National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week (NDAFW), to be held this year March 22-28. NDAFW is a week-long health observance highlighting the science-based facts about how drugs and alcohol affect the brain and body. The annual awareness week, coordinated by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, links students with scientists and other experts to counteract the myths about drugs and alcohol that teens get from the internet, social media, TV, movies, music or from friends. NIDA has ideas to support local activities.



[Register](#) your event online, and read about [five steps](#) to hosting an NDAFW event. NIDA staff are available to help you plan a successful event. If you have questions about NDAFW, please email Brian Marquis at bmarquis@nida.nih.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.

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- 3.10.21 | *Lorain Morning Journal* [NAMI Lorain County offers support for those affected by suicide loss](#)

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