BOARD WELCOMES NEW ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Amie Martin-D’Arienzo, M.Ed., OCPSA has joined the team as the new Associate Director of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services. She comes to us from Summit County where she was a youth led prevention facilitator for OhioGuidestone as well as the President of the Gardeners of Greater Akron and treasurer of M.O.M.S. Amie has sat on several boards and organizing committees such as the Summit County Community Partnership, Salvation Army, Opiate Task Force, and Mayor Horrigan’s Youth Leadership team. Amie comes to us with work experience in prevention, treatment, and recovery fields in both mental health and substance use disorders. She has several academic publications across the IOM spectrum and has received a few national awards for her work. Welcome to the team, Amie!

Safer Schools Hotline

The Ohio Department of Education has partnered with Ohio Homeland Security to offer all Ohio school districts a safe and secure tip line. The tip line can be anonymous or callers have the option to leave contact information. Any threatening information or suspicious activity will be assessed by the Homeland Security team to determine the level of the threat. If it’s determined to be a high-level threat, they will communicate directly with local law enforcement and the school district.

Information that is only school-related, such as bullying, social media issues, or other specific information, will be routed directly to the school administrators to address.

Safer Schools Ohio tip/text line: 844-SAFEROH or 844-723-3764. Access this number via your mobile device on the District and Building web pages under Safer Schools Hotline.

Please click for additional information about the Safer Schools Hotline.

Geauga County Board of Mental Health & Recovery Services SFY19 Annual Report

Every year the Board provides an annual report to the community that includes any funding the Board receives, how the funds are spent, and the behavioral health care programs that are funded in Geauga County. Click here to read the full report.
17th Annual Ohio Problem Gambling Conference
February 20 - 21, 2020

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS), in partnership with the Problem Gambling Network of Ohio and Ohio for Responsible Gambling, will host the 17th Annual Ohio Problem Gambling Conference on Feb. 20-21, 2020 at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center in Lewis Center. This year's conference will bring together national experts, state leaders, and local innovators in problem gambling prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery, research, administration and responsible gambling. Those interested in prevention and treatment of gambling disorder should attend, as well as behavioral health professionals who want to learn more about the high incidence of co-occurring health disorders across the lifespan and implications for risky behaviors in youth. In addition, gambling industry professionals interested in promoting responsible gambling and working with service providers in their communities should participate. The featured speaker on day one is Dr. Timothy Fong, clinical professor of Psychiatry at the Jane and Terry Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA and internationally known gambling disorder clinician. Christopher Hansford, political director for Consumers for Digital Fairness, will present on day two on the revolution in gambling and gaming. NCPG hours, RCH's, and CE's for Counselors, Social Workers and Psychologists are being sought via OhioMHAS. Click HERE to register or visit PGNOhio.org/Conference.

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Opioid Education & Prevention Seminar
followed by optional life-saving Naloxone (Narcan) training

7pm, Thursday, February 20, 2020
DeJohn Funeral Home
12811 Chillicothe Road
Chesterland, OH 44026

LET'S TALK... Hear from Cleveland Clinic Doctors as they discuss OPIOIDS.

Featuring a special guest panel of speakers:
Lake-Geauga Recovery shares medication safety - receive your FREE Deterra Bag for proper medication disposal. Project Dawn offers training on the use of Narcan Kits. PRE-REGISTER for training to receive your FREE Narcan Kit.

Support Regina as she shares her personal journey of recovery and Theresa as she shares her loss.

This Event is FREE ~ RSVP IS REQUIRED!

~PRE-REGISTER by phone or email to NAMI Geauga County~

Call: (440) 286-6264 or Email: admin@namigeauga.org
Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers - New Anger Management Intervention Group
Date: Mondays from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for 6 week sessions (call 440-255-0678 for the start dates)
Location: Chardon office, 209 Center Street, Chardon, Ohio
Cost: $60 for the 6 week session
For more information call: 440-255-0678 or go to www.lgrc.us/services/anger-management-intervention/

Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers - 8 Hour Education Program
The program is designed to change drinking and drug use behaviors by changing beliefs, attitudes, risk perceptions, motivations, and the knowledge of how to reduce the risk of alcohol/drug related problems throughout life.
Date: Third Saturday of each month
For more information call: 440-255-0678

NAMI Geauga County - Mental Health First Aid
Date: February 17, 2020
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
For more information contact: NAMI Geauga County at 440-286-6264

Torchlight Youth Mentoring Alliance - Light Up The Lanes For Local Youth
Date: March 8, 2020 at Sonny Lanes in Geneva at 1:30 p.m.
Date: March 15, 2020 at Scores Fun Center in Painesville at 2:00 p.m.
Click here for more information on Light Up The Lanes