



# Second Wednesday's

November 11, 2010

## County Behavioral Health Challenges

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Learn from experts the financial challenges facing County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Boards as they provide mental health and substance abuse prevention, treatment and support services in an era of limited resources. This program will feature the role of behavioral health boards in the community, the cost savings to county and other governments resulting from effective behavioral health programs, the funding crisis that Ohio's Behavioral Health Boards have experienced and the Ohio Association of Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) proposed solution to this funding crisis.

### PRESENTERS

**Brad Cole**, Managing Director of Research, County Commissioners Association of Ohio  
**Cheri L. Walter**, Chief Executive Officer, Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities  
**Suzanne Dulaney**, Associate CEO, Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities  
**Orman Hall**, Executive Director, Fairfield County ADAMH Board  
**Jody Demo-Hodgins**, Executive Director, Crawford-Marion Board of ADAMHS

### AGENDA—9:30-12:30

9:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions  
9:40 a.m. Big Picture: What Boards Do & How They're Funded  
10:00 a.m. Addressing the Opiate Epidemic  
10:45 a.m. Re-Entry: Support Systems for Individuals Returning from Jails & Prisons  
11:10 a.m. Supporting Healthy Families & Saving Children Services Costs  
11:30 a.m. Operating in a Cost Conscious Environment  
12:00 p.m. OACBHA Financing Plan  
12:15 p.m. Q&A  
12:30 p.m. Adjourn

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### **Speakers**

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Brad Cole is the Managing Director of Research for the County Commissioners Association of Ohio. In this capacity Brad coordinates and manages the research, data, and technical publications prepared and distributed by the association; maintains research data bases, develops survey instruments; and promotes the CCAO Educational and Research Foundation. In addition, Brad provides legislative advocacy and member's services in taxation and finance, permissive taxes, auditing and accounting, county budget procedures, county debt, purchasing, investment policy, and general government legislation that impacts counties including transportation and infrastructure, tax abatement, and solid waste management. He is the liaison to the CCAO Taxation and Finance Committee. Cole holds a Bachelor of Arts cum laude and Master of Arts degrees in American History from Bowling Green State University.

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Cheri L. Walter has provided more than 25 years of diversified, progressive leadership and management within non-profit organizations, association and large state departments in Ohio. Cheri holds a Master of Administration from Tiffin University and is a Licensed Independent Chemical Dependency Counselor (LICDC). She currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of The Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA), representing all 56 county Alcohol, Drug Addiction Services and/or Mental Health Boards. OACBHA functions as the statewide unifying voice for quality and cost effective treatment and prevention services in Ohio. Prior to her current position, Walter served as Assistant Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) and Deputy Director of Program Services for the Ohio Department of Youth Services for over eight years. As a member of

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the Governor's Council on Recovery Services, Walter assisted in the writing, lobbying and implementation of HB 317 that created the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services.

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Suzanne Dulaney is the Associate CEO for the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA). OACBHA is the statewide organization that represents all of Ohio's local Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Boards at the state level. Suzanne possesses a great deal of expertise in governmental relations and public policy analysis. Prior to joining OACBHA, Suzanne was a Senior Policy Analyst for the County Commissioners Association of Ohio. Before that, Suzanne worked as a Legislative Aide for the Ohio House of Representatives. Suzanne received her law degree from Capital University with a concentration in governmental affairs and her undergraduate degree in Political Science with a minor in Social Work from Miami University.

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Orman Hall, M.A. has been the director of the Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board (ADAMH) since 1989. The ADAMH Board is responsible for planning, funding and monitoring all public behavioral health services in Fairfield County. Previously, he was the research and evaluation director for the Tri-County Mental Health Board in Troy, OH. Hall has recently provided testimony to the National Sheriff's Association and the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on Ohio's growing opiate epidemic. He has also published several articles on mental health needs assessment and planning.