Meeting Agenda

1. Provider onsite reviews update

2. Recovery housing update
Provider Onsite Reviews Update

Ohio Department of Medicaid
Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Provider Onsite Reviews Overview

- **Purpose:** Meet requirements for participation in SUD Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver

- **Two-part approach:**
  - Assess OhioMHAS rule 5122-29-09 (SUD residential treatment standards) alignment
    - Requirements effective July 1, 2023
    - Requires access to MAT while in SUD residential treatment
    - Outlines minimum staffing and treatment hours for each ASAM residential sub-level of care
  - Understand the organizational and operational characteristics of SUD residential treatment providers as they relate to federal Medicaid IMD requirements
Provider Onsite Reviews Overview

• ODM released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure a vendor to complete on-site visits to Medicaid providers that are certified by OhioMHAS as SUD residential treatment facilities
  o RFP was released on January 3, 2022
  o Proposal submissions were accepted through February 9, 2022

• Information collected prior to and during on-site visits will provide the basis for feedback to facilities regarding any potential gaps in their structure/operations related to the requirements outlined in OAC 5122-29-09 Residential and withdrawal management substance use disorder services

• Technical assistance will be available to facilities to assist in preparation for compliance with OAC 5122-29-09
Provider Onsite Reviews Tentative Timeline

- **RFP posted**: January – February 2022
- **Vendor selection and work begins**: Spring 2022
- **On-site reviews occur**: Summer 2022 - Spring 2023
- **Final report completed**: Summer 2023
- **OAC 5122-29-09 requirements effective**: July 1, 2023 (tentative)
Recovery Housing Update

Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Presentation to 1115 Waiver Committee

February 26, 2022

Kaitlin Waggoner & Roma Barickman
Mental Health & Addiction Services
Today’s Agenda

• RecoveryOhio Housing Subcommittee
  • Overview/Purpose
  • Connection to Housing Work
  • Recommendations

• Recovery Housing in Ohio – 2021 Environmental Scan
  • Overview
  • Recommendations
  • Impact on our work
75 actionable recommendations in the areas of:

- Stigma
- Parity
- Workforce
- Prevention
- Harm Reduction
- Treatment & Recovery
- Specialty populations
- Data Measurement & System Linkage
RecoveryOhio Recommendation

Recommendation #47 - Housing Plan

• Review and create a comprehensive plan for safe, affordable, and quality housing that will meet the needs of individuals with mental health and substance use disorders so they can fully participate in community and family life.

• The plan will include supported housing options, transitional housing, recovery housing, adult care facilities, and short-term stabilization options to provide housing stability and choice.
RecoveryOhio Housing Subcommittee
Participating State Agencies

Ohio Housing Finance Agency
Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services
Counselor Social Worker Board
Ohio Department of Development
Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Ohio Department of Health
Ohio Department of Medicaid
Ohio Opportunities for Disabilities
Ohio Department of Public Safety
Ohio Department of Rehabilitation & Corrections
Office of Faith Based Initiatives

Denotes co-chairing agency
Work of the Subcommittee

- State-level partnerships for coordinating state agency resources
- Inventory of existing funding and programs
- Stakeholder focus groups and feedback
- Development of recommendations
Current and Future Work

• Working to finalize policy recommendations to share with RecoveryOhio
• Existing and Upcoming State Agency Housing Plans

RecoveryOhio – Housing Subcommittee

Housing & Homelessness Strikeforce
Questions
Ohio was first to:

- Conduct an environmental scan of recovery housing.
- Include a definition and expectations of recovery housing in revised code.
  - Require that local authorities on behavioral health plan for recovery housing in their local continuum of care.
- Create a public-private partnership to certify quality.
- Invest in recovery housing from general revenue funds, tax credits, and capital budgets.
- Fold recovery housing into housing planning among multiple state agencies:
  - Mental Health & Addiction Services
  - Development
  - Rehabilitation and Corrections
  - Health
  - Ohio Housing Finance Agency
ORC Section 340.01(A)(3)

"Recovery housing" means housing for individuals recovering from alcoholism or drug addiction that provides an alcohol and drug-free living environment, peer support, assistance with obtaining alcohol and drug addiction services, and other alcoholism and drug addiction recovery assistance.
Recovery Housing... 

- is a choice, not a clinical placement.
- provides a physically and emotionally safe, secure and respectful environment.
- is low-barrier, accepting applicants with poor credit, eviction histories, or criminal backgrounds.
- is located in the community, and residents are expected to connect with local services, supports, employment, and social activities.
Recovery Housing Values

Providers and residents value the voice of peers.

*Recovery Housing relies on the Social Model of Recovery, not the clinical model of treatment.*

Residents have a lease or occupancy agreement that outlines their rights and responsibilities.

Residents are accountable for how their behaviors impact their residential stability and the wellness of others in the housing.

Residents have personalized recovery plans.

Residential stability is a priority.

*If a resident is moving out willingly or unwillingly, every effort is made to connect them to safe housing and recovery supports.*
Recovery Housing in Ohio
2021 Environmental Scan

Ohio’s Successes: Ohio Continues to be a leader in several key areas

- Tracking resident outcomes to ensure program success
- Increasing acceptance of and support for residents who use medication-assisted treatment.
- Building sustainable recovery housing infrastructure that has assisted residents through the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting economic crisis.
Current State

- Increased Capacity.
- Increased Quality certifications.
- Increased Coverage.
- Increased Investment.
2021 Scan Recommendations

The Updated Environmental Scan proposed 100 recommendations for Policy & Planning, Research and Practice & Training that emerged across the following themes:

- Access and Referrals
- Equity
- Quality and Certification
- Recovery Supports
- Medication-Assisted Treatment
- COVID-19 Pandemic
- Recovery Housing Policy
- ORH Outcomes Tool
## Highlights of Recommendations

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<td><strong>Access and Referrals:</strong></td>
<td>ORH worked with OhioMHAS and others on the TA guidance regarding this topic. They are prepared to integrate that guidance into other materials, like the recovery housing development guidebook and recovery housing institute trainings once it is finalized. OhioMHAS and ORH are examining the impact of the model legislation for Ohio and how this intersects with Ohio’s Section 1115 waiver.</td>
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<td>Explore the impact of the State's Section 1115 Substance Use Disorder Demonstration Waiver, and share information and guidelines with recovery housing operators and stakeholders when available.</td>
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<td><strong>Quality and Certification:</strong></td>
<td>RecoveryOhio submitted some recommendations regarding a long-term housing plan.</td>
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<td>Establish a long-term strategic plan for recovery housing in Ohio (5-7 years) and align funding and technical assistance accordingly.</td>
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<td>Develop written guidance and deliver technical</td>
<td>ORH offers the recovery housing institute which addresses these topics, among others. ORH also developed and updated the recovery housing development guidebook. ORH also offers individualized TA to operators on this topic.</td>
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<td>assistance to new operators to ensure that they</td>
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<td>understand regulations, such as zoning, and also</td>
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<td>recovery housing best practices.</td>
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<td>Strengthen professional development supports for</td>
<td>OhioMHAS and ORH are partnering to provide a house manager training. This training will be completed in cohorts over time, designed specifically to promote peer to peer learning and networking.</td>
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<td>mechanism to encourage peer learning and exchange.</td>
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Scan Recommendations Looking Ahead

1. Support diversification of funding to enable sustainability.
2. Further public education and reduce stigma.
3. Improve access to a continuum of high-quality, evidence-based services.
4. Address inequities in access to care.
Ohio’s Opportunities with Recovery Housing

1. Address service gaps and barriers to quality housing.

2. Ensure access for underserved and rural Ohioans.

3. Provide additional clarity on requirements to meet national quality standards.
# Key Policy and Legislative Considerations

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Questions
Discussion Points

- Thoughts on current state?
- Suggestions for future?
- How can this group support these efforts?
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Next steps

- Next SAC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19th from 1:00 – 3:00 PM