



Ohio Brain Injury Program

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Welcome to the New Ohio Brain Injury Program Update! The Ohio Brain Injury Program is Ohio's policy and planning related to living with brain injury.

We are excited that in 2024, we will continue to accomplish with our strategic plan initiatives!

Thank you for your support!

PROGRAM UPDATES

STAFF UPDATES

New Staff Alert



Christopher Johnson, MSW,
LSW
Social Worker



Joy Omslaer, LISW-S
Social Worker

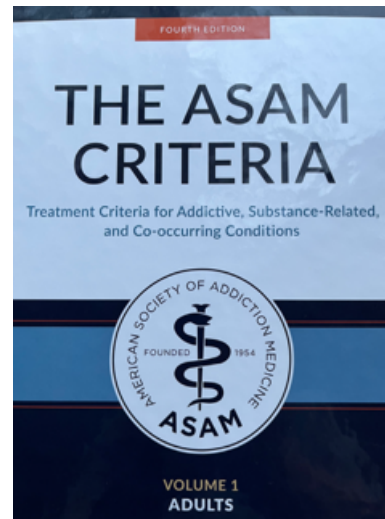


Nicole Laurenzi, MBA, AT
Community Outreach
Manager



Ohio Rural
Health
Association

Brei Miller elected to
2024 Ohio Rural Health
Association Executive
Board



The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) sets the standards for treatment of addictions in the United States. For the first time, the ASAM's 4th Edition of their criteria devotes an entire chapter to treatment for persons who have

cognitive impairment. The criteria set the expectation that treatment providers will identify and accommodate cognitive impairments in all the programs provided.

Dr. Corrigan was the author of the chapter and championed the Neurological Informed Care.

The Ohio Brain Injury Connection, our brain injury resource facilitation program, has two new faces to help Ohioans who experienced brain injury!

Chris Johnson received his bachelor's at Tiffin University & Masters at Cleveland State University. He has over 4 years of experience in addictions counseling.

Joy Omslaer is a licensed social worker and has over 20+ years experience working with individuals with a history of brain injury.

Want to learn more? Call (614) 293-7785 or obic@osumc.edu

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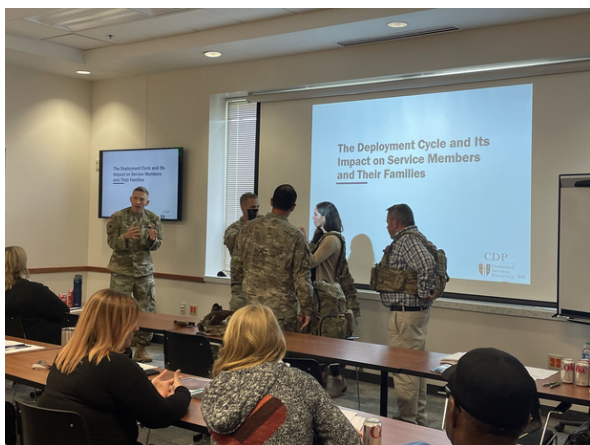
Next Training:

February 23rd, 2024 Columbus, OH

Earlier this year, we partnered with Mental Health Recovery Board of Clark, Greene and Madison Counties and the Ohio Air National Guard to bring community mental health providers on base at the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport for a Tier 1 training.



We are looking forward to our upcoming trainings for 2024 and partnership with OhioCares and the Governor's Challenge teams. Since July we have completed three trainings with five more scheduled! Be on the lookout in the next month for these upcoming trainings and exciting new partnerships.



OHIO JUSTICE ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS



Dr. Jenny Bogner was the closing Keynote speaker at the annual Ohio Justice Alliance for Community Corrections in October. Over 375 professionals were in attendance and heard her presentation on the intersection of brain injury among those incarcerated.



NEUROLOGICAL INFORMED CARE - PILOT PROJECT

In partnership with two substance use disorder treatment centers, the Mental Health Recovery Board of Clark, Greene, and Madison County and the National Association of State Head Injury Administrators, Dr. Hyzak and Dr. Corrigan are using implementation facilitation to improve the adoption, reach, and sustained use of neurologic-informed care. This local and national partnership will identify effective strategies for a larger strategic state implementation of Neurological-Informed Care.

BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY COMMITTEE KEY UPDATES

The **Education and Training Work Group** is partnering with the Department of Education and Workforce for a March Webinar on the intersection of the “Science of Reading” and difficulties with reading following brain injuries.

Services Work Group met with NASHIA’s Jill Ferrington to discuss other states, brain injury Medicaid waivers.

The **Data Work Group** has completed the 2024 biennial report - look for a March 2024 release

Communications Work Group has an upcoming webinar with Scott Light who will be discussing how to share your story.

The **ad hoc Disorders of Consciousness Work Group** is reviewing results of a community survey on the needs of Ohioans who experienced coma.

Committees are open for participation
Email Brei.miller@osumc.edu to join!

UPCOMING OHIO EVENTS (JANUARY TO APRIL 2024)

CBI Research Day
March 7-8, 2024,
Columbus, OH

BIAOH Advocacy Day
March 14, 2024,
Columbus, OH

BrainHealth Symposium
Long-term Support for TBI
March 8, 2024, Dayton,
Ohio

Roadmap to Recovery
April 10th 2024, Akron, OH

NATIONAL UPDATES

ACL PARTNERS DAY

ZOOM

FEBRUARY 29, 2024
12:00PM TO 4PM

Each year the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration on Community Living brings partners and interested parties together to discuss important issues around TBI services, supports, and systems and to learn from brain injury survivors, family members, support networks, and state and federal representatives.

Open to everyone. Review website for upcoming registration

BIAA LAUNCHING CHRONIC BRAIN INJURY AS A CHRONIC CONDITION CAMPAIGN

In December the Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA) provided a preview of it’s new 5-year strategic plan. Among other areas of emphasis, BIAA will be conducting a campaign to promote awareness and make policy changes that recognize brain injury as a chronic health condition.

THE NATIONAL TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ACT

The National Traumatic Brain Injury Act expires in 2024. This legislation provides funding for improving rehabilitation and community support for people with brain injury.

To learn more about National Policy, visit the NASHIA Website.

