



**Department of
Mental Health &
Addiction Services**

The Heart of Hope

SOS 4.0 Regional Engagement Sessions

Invitation to SOS 4.0 Engagement Sessions

Date: February 28, 2024
To: County ADAMH Boards, Behavioral Health Organizations, & Community Members
From: Valerie Alloy, Ph.D., Chief, Bureau of Grants Administration
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Re: Invitation to SOS 4.0 Engagement Sessions

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) cordially invites community partners to participate in statewide Engagement Sessions to help plan for the next State Opioid and Stimulant Response (SOS) “4.0” grant opportunity.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) forecasted the State Opioid Response “4.0” funding opportunity for state agencies to apply in mid-March. As OhioMHAS prepares the application to SAMHSA, the Department is particularly interested in incorporating strategies and innovative ideas identified at the local level to successfully prevent, treat, and provide life-long recovery supports aimed at achieving long term success in addressing opioid use disorder, stimulant use disorder, and co-occurring disorders.

The SOS “4.0” Engagement Session agendas are designed to promote inclusive, accessible, and respectful conversations focused on Ohio’s progress and work to be done. These are measured by the SOS National Outcome Measures (NOMS), including abstinence, crime and criminal justice involvement, employment/education, social connectedness, stability in housing, and general health outcomes collected on the GPRA and SOR-TOR Tools.

Ohioans with lived experience, actively receiving or have historically received SOS/SOR funded services, county Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health (ADAMH) Boards, and partnering community members, families, community-based organizations are encouraged to attend a SOS “4.0” Engagement Sessions in their region. These sessions will be held in-person during the month of March 2024 at the locations, dates, and times provided on page 2. There will also be a virtual engagement session for those unable to in person. Registration is open and kindly requested for each event.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful dialogue, ideas, and feedback to ensure Ohioans continue to thrive and sustain recovery from substance use disorder.

Sessions are free and open to the public. Advance registration is requested, please use the link or QR Code below to register for the session and take the pre-survey.

Please send questions to SOR3@mha.ohio.gov

Location & Registration Link	Venue	Date/Time	QR Code
Dayton – Summit Region Click Here to Register - Dayton	Northwest Branch Library 2410 Philadelphia Dr. Dayton, OH 45406	Monday, March 11 th 9:30am – 3:15pm	
Athens – Appalachian Region Click Here to Register - Athens	Walter Hall 32 Park Place Athens, OH 45701	Wednesday, March 13 th 9:30am – 3:15pm	
Akron – North Coast/Heartland Click Here to Register - Akron	Akron-Summit County Library 60 S High St. Akron, OH 44326	Tuesday, March 19 th 9:30am – 3:15pm	
Toledo – Northwest Region Click Here to Register - Toledo	Toledo-Lucas Main Library 325 Michigan St. Toledo, OH 43604	Friday, March 22 nd 9:30am – 3:15pm	
Columbus – Twin Valley Region Click Here to Register - Columbus	Columbus Metropolitan Library 96 S. Grant Ave Columbus, OH 43215	Friday, March 29 th 9:30am – 3:15pm	
Virtual Session Click Here to Register - Virtual Teams Session	Online – Microsoft Teams Meeting	Monday, March 26 th 3:00pm – 6:00pm	

State Opioid and Stimulant Response Grant Engagement Sessions

Session Agenda

9:00 am	Guest Arrival, Sign in
9:30am - 9:40am	Welcome, Introductions & Opening Remarks
9:40am - 10:00am	SOR/SOS Historical Data Presentation
10:15am - 11:00am	Session I - Table Discussion – Lived Experience/Recovery
11:00am -11:45am	Session 2 – Table Discussion - Treatment/Abstinence
12:00pm - 1:00pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:15pm - 2:00pm	Session 3 - Table Discussion - Stability in Housing
2:00pm - 2:45pm	Session 4 - Table Discussion – Employment/Education
2:45pm – 3:15pm	Closing Remarks

Table Discussion Topics

Participants will have the opportunity to engage in 4 topical area discussions.

Stability in Housing

Employment and Education

Treatment & Abstinence

Lived Experience & Recovery Supports