

OPRA FRIDAY FIVE

News, Resources and Events for OPRA Members

MARCH 21, 2025

MUI Rule: Effective July 1, 2025, the revised Major Unusual Incident (MUI) rule will be implemented. To assist with this transition, DODD is developing training opportunities, both virtual and in-person, as well as updated guidance documents and revisions to the OhioITMS application. The department has stated that they will be communicating these resources and training dates through their regular Memo Monday publications, so please keep an eye out for those. We will continue to provide updates for this upcoming transition. If you have any questions, please reach out to [Rachel](#).

EVV: The Ohio Department of Medicaid reinstated their EVV Stakeholder Workgroup to work through the phased roll out of claims denials based on insufficient EVV units. If you have any feedback, questions, or concerns about the roll out, please email [Christine](#).

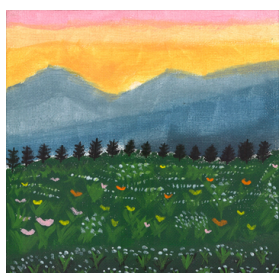
JMOC: The Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee held a hearing on the Ohio Department of Medicaid's application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement work requirements for certain Medicaid beneficiaries. [You can watch the hearing here](#). You can review [Director Corcoran's presentation here](#). You can review Greg Moody's [slides and handouts referenced in the hearing here](#).

Housing Workshop: This week OPRA had the opportunity to join EmpowerMe Living's Community Leadership Workshop focusing on the greater Cincinnati Housing Market Analysis project. EmpowerMe Living partnered with First Place Global Leadership Institute to conduct a [Housing Market Analysis](#) for the greater Cincinnati area and to take a targeted look at the housing crisis facing many adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This incredibly important data and information will be crucial in advocating for individuals to live their best lives in affordable housing. OPRA would like to thank Emily and Mark Kendall and Sam Klear for putting this great workshop together.

Medicaid Letter: Our partners at ANCOR have drafted a letter urging Congress to reject Medicaid cuts in their budget development work. OPRA members can join the letter by signing on using the survey link below. Per ANCOR: "Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to advocate with your members of Congress, whether in DC, in your home districts, or using our action alerts. Your efforts are integral in ensuring Congress does not pass legislation that would harm I/DD services by making deep cuts to Medicaid.

Today we are rolling out another advocacy tool: a [letter to Congress](#) to be signed by community providers across the country. The [letter](#) urges Congress to protect I/DD services and reject harmful cuts to Medicaid.

[Please join us in signing your organization onto this letter](#). It is important that we demonstrate the breadth and depth of the I/DD service provider network across the country and how harmful Medicaid cuts would be in every community in every state. [Sign-On Here](#) Please note: This is not an individual sign-on letter, it is for organizations to sign on. It is open to all community providers. The deadline to sign on is Wednesday, April 2."



We are excited to share this year's Great Provider Summit cover art by artist Tyrone Peacock. "Tyrone is a 49-year-old artist participating in UCP of Greater Cleveland's Day Program. Residing in Cleveland with his wife of seven years, Tyrone has been passionate about painting since childhood. He shares his artwork with a growing audience on social media, showcasing his creativity and unique style on TikTok (@tyronepeacock10) and Instagram (@tyronepeacock10). His strong organizational skills and commitment to advocacy also shine through in his role on UCP's Human Rights Committee. He continues to make an impact through both his art and his community involvement."



In Case You Missed It...

Additional Updates From The OPRA Team and System Partners

Memo Monday: Click here to read this week's [DODD Memo Monday](#), which includes info on the MUI Rule, Outcome Tracking System reporting dates, the SE Ohio regional tech Summit, a new 'foundations of employment' training and more.

Workforce Symposium: [Register now for the DODD Workforce Symposium](#) on March 26, from 9 AM - 4:30 PM, at the Quest Conference Center. The event is free, but space is limited. The event highlights 2024 Workforce Support Grant recipients to discuss and share information about their projects. Presenters will discuss the successes and outcomes of their projects and share ideas related to the recruitment, retention, and future of Ohio's direct support workforce. Register for the symposium [here](#). Those with questions should email ann.weisent@dodd.ohio.gov.

Leadership/Supervision Webinar Series: We are excited to share that we are partnering with Gladey Consulting for a webinar series to launch next month. The 4-part series, "**Mastering Team Leadership: Building Trust, Confidence and Resilience for Supervisors**" will begin on April 23rd with "Understanding Your Management Style" and continue bi-weekly. Members and non-members can purchase/attend individual sessions or the series as a whole. [To learn more about the training series and register for the webinar/s, click here](#). Please reach out to [Scott](#) with any questions.

Calling All Exhibitors & Sponsors!

Join us for the OPRA 2025 Great Provider Summit, the premier event connecting leaders, innovators, and providers in the field of developmental disabilities services. This is your chance to showcase your brand, connect with key decision-makers, and elevate your impact in the industry.

- Gain direct access to hundreds of providers and industry leaders
- Showcase your products & services to an engaged audience
- Build meaningful partnerships and expand your network
- Take advantage of exclusive sponsorship opportunities for maximum visibility

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Upcoming Events

3/24: OPRA Program Directors Network Lunch & Learn Series

4/2: OPRA District 5 Meeting

[Click here for a full list of upcoming DODD training events](#)

News & Resources

"DeWine in attendance as Trump signs executive order calling for dismantling of the Education Department"

"Empowering Lives: Celebrating Vocational Rehabilitation"

"From TV to CMS: How Dr. Oz could shape Medicare and Medicaid"

"The effort to end subminimum wage in Ohio"





Nursing Quality Assurance Assessment and Nursing Delegation

April 9th, 2025

9:00am to 4:00pm (registration begins at 8:15am)

Dwell Community Church
1394 Community Park Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Featured Speaker:

Tamara M. Lentini, MSN, RN

Health Services Manager, Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities
will discuss:

The Components of the Nursing Quality Assurance Assessment and the QA review tool as well as
Nursing Delegation laws and rules

- 6. OBN CE's (1 hour Cat A Rule/Law) pending approval
by the OBN approval unit of DODD OBN-010-93
- 6. DODD IA, SSA, and Superintendent hours pending

For Questions regarding CE status call: 513-785-4678 or email kltallon@butlerdd.org

You must attend the entire conference and complete an evaluation to receive CE's and Contact hours

Registration Fee: \$75.00 - Continental Breakfast and Boxed Lunch included

Register online at: HAC Spring Conference Registration

<http://reg.planetReg.com/E3293742239201>

For registration problems, please call 937-631-7704

**Registration is from March 1st 2025 to April 3rd 2025 at Midnight
No cancellations will be accepted after April 3rd 2025**

The temperature of the building may vary at times so please dress accordingly for your comfort.

The Healthcare Advisory Committee reserves the right to cancel this event. Registration fees
will be refunded if canceled. Personal cancellations will be refunded minus \$10 due to committee costs

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