

## Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services

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### Provider Points

- **SafeHaven** is adding a part-time frontline payee to increase access to and customer service in the representative payeeship program.
- **Darke County Recovery Services** now manages or owns four locations in the Tri-County area. The management team includes **Dr. Jackie Allen**, Executive Director; **Cynthia Cook**, Associate Director managing AoD services for all agencies; **Anthony Donisi**, Chief Clinical Officer; and **Dr. Virginia Woodrow**, Chief Medical Officer. **Alice Claggett, PsyD**, is Clinical Director of the **Shelby County Counseling Center**. **Karen Scott-Pine, LISW-S**, is Clinical Director of the **Mental Health Clinic's Greenville** location; **Vickie Martin, PCC**, is Clinical Director of the **MHC Troy** location. Cynthia Cook also directs the Darke County Recovery Services location in Greenville.

### Strategic Planning Process Enters Final Phase

Under the guidance of professionals from Brown Consulting, a Toledo-based group specializing in behavioral health services management, the Tri-County Board is entering the final phase of its periodic strategic planning process.

To close out the fact-finding phase, Brown Consulting conducted a series of public forums. Six forums were conducted in October, segmented for Tri-County Board members, service providers, law enforcement and local government, health and helping professionals, consumers and families, and Tri-County Board staff.

Based on input and feedback received from the forums, Brown Consulting will draft a three-year plan, establishing priorities, strategies, goals, and measurable outcomes. The Tri-County Board will review and revise the document in upcoming Board sessions before officially adopting the plan.

The strategic plan is being built around the 2011 "Description of a Modern Addictions and Mental Health Services System," a whitepaper published by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA). Among that document's vision points are emphasis on "evidence-informed practices," increased linkage to housing and employment, and improved access to behavioral health services, including co-location of services.

The Board's Strategic Plan is expected to be finalized in early 2014.



Periodic reviews of the Tri-County Board's Strategic Plan help refocus the board's activities and priorities in the face of changing social and political landscapes.

### Greenville PD garners awards for Crisis Intervention

The Greenville Police Department and Chief Dennis Butts have gained statewide recognition for their achievement of attaining 100 percent of officers graduating from the Tri-County Board's Crisis Intervention Team training program. At the October CIT Advanced Training Conference in Columbus, Chief Butts received the award of "CIT Law Enforcement Administrator of the Year" presented by Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine. The department was also awarded the Tri-County Board's Geraldine B. Nelson Advocacy Award in October.

At the state CIT Conference, Troy Police Detective Chris Madigan and Patrolman Tom Gibson were recognized for "exceptional contributions to the Ohio CIT movement." The two CIT officers were called to the scene of a threatened suicide and successfully resolved the situation.



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### Information campaign targets problem gambling



When gambling becomes more than a game, no one wins. A new public information campaign helps people identify the signs of problem gambling, provides suggestions for talking with the family member, friend or co-worker, and points to resources for getting help.

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That's the message of the Tri-County Board's public information campaign related to problem gambling. A series of billboards, posters, squeezable "stress dice" and other educational materials are being used to get the word out.

"We're not taking a position on gambling in general," says Executive Director Mark McDaniel. "Our concern is when

gambling becomes compulsive, when people can't stop, and they do harm to finances, careers and relationships. Our goal is to get people the resources they need to get help before irreparable damage is done."

A website has been created specifically for the campaign, at [www.health-and-help-center.org](http://www.health-and-help-center.org). A statewide helpline is also available at 800-522-4700.

Another component of the campaign is to put information into

the hands of point-of-contact professionals, such as physicians. Packets of literature, including office posters, are being distributed to physicians and healthcare providers' offices in the tri-county area.

For more information about the campaign, or to receive materials with the problem gambling message, contact Brad Reed, Director of Community Resource Development, at the Board offices.