

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 18-01-03

ACCEPTANCE OF 2018 ADVOCACY ACTION AGENDA

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County develops and approves an Advocacy Action Agenda each year to focus its efforts and develop messages to legislators, state agencies, policy makers, clients, families, providers and the general public to advance important behavioral health issues; and,

WHEREAS, at the beginning of each year, the prior year's Advocacy Action Agenda is reviewed by the Community Relations and Advocacy Committee to determine success, a new agenda is set and recommended to the full Board by the Committee for the current year; and,

WHEREAS, the Advocacy Action Agenda for 2018 was developed with the over-arching goal of promoting recovery of individuals living with mental illness and addictions by adopting and acting on the five Recovery Oriented System of Care principles:

1. Focusing on Clients and Families
2. Ensuring Timely Access to Care
3. Promoting Healthy, Safe, and Drug-Free Communities
4. Prioritizing Accountable and Outcome-Driven Financing
5. Locally Managing Systems of Care; and,

WHEREAS, the Advocacy Action Agenda is in addition to the advocacy and collaboration that the Board provides on a daily basis through its work of ensuring that mental health, addiction treatment and prevention and recovery services and supports are available to help children and adults reach and sustain recovery; and,

WHEREAS, adoption and implementation of the 2018 Advocacy Action Agenda will help facilitate the implementation of the Recovery Oriented System of Care by focusing Board efforts, activities, decisions and funding to advance recovery issues and initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors adopts the 2018 Advocacy Action Agenda.
2. The ADAMHS Board of Directors authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to distribute the 2018 Advocacy Action Agenda to the community.

On the motion of Mary M. Step, Ph.D., seconded by Steve Killpack, MS , the foregoing resolution was adopted.

AYES: E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, C. Handler, P. Jones, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, E. Kirkland, M. Rodas, S. Rosenbaum, H. Shannon, H. Snider, M. Step, E. Thoms

NAYS: None / **ABSTAIN:** None

DATE ADOPTED: January 31, 2018