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Fairfield County ADAMH welcomes new service provider

LANCASTER, Ohio, Nov. 9 — During its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 25, the Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health (ADAMH) Board approved the addition of Meals on Wheels Fairfield County to its Network of Care Agencies.

Fairfield County ADAMH plans, monitors and funds direct services and programs through its 14 Network of Care Agencies as well as other nonprofit contract organizations. Meals on Wheels will be executing the Screening and Engagement for Behavioral Health Needs and Senior Support programs.

Through Screening and Engagement for Behavioral Health Needs, Meals on Wheels staff members will provide referrals to home-bound senior citizens in need of support due to depression, anxiety or other mental health issues. Meals on Wheels will provide directly or through a sub-contractor support and educational services.

Senior Support Program services include outreach and engagement, linkage and coordination with other resources and organizations, educational and consultation activities, and other supportive activities, such as companionship, memory and life review activities that do not qualify as billable clinical services to any insurance or Medicare.

“By adding Meals on Wheels to our list of service providers, the services that we fund will go from prenatal/pregnancy to senior citizens,” said Fairfield County ADAMH Board Executive Director Marcy Fields, LISW-S. “The continuum of care will cover the whole lifespan.”

“Social isolation and changing conditions in their lives can be so overwhelming for seniors and it’s just great to know that we have the partnership with ADAMH and Ageless Counseling to get counselors into the homes of seniors so they can process the feelings, traumas and isolation they’ve experienced,” said Meals on Wheels Fairfield County Executive Director Anna Tobin. “It will really make a world of difference.”

The Fairfield County ADAMH Board is responsible for the planning, funding and monitoring of mental health, addiction and recovery services in Fairfield County. ADAMH promotes wellness and recovery from mental health and substance use disorders by providing a continuum of care consisting of prevention, recovery and community support services for those affected by substance use disorders and/or mental health disorders in Fairfield County. For more information, visit www.fairfieldadamh.org.

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