FYI FRIDAYS

DBH Updates, Notices, and Policy Guidance July 10, 2020

Prior issues of FYI Fridays can be found at: https://dmh.mo.gov/mental-illness/fyi-fridays

July is National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month!

- Budget Update Governor Parson signed the FY21 budget bills passed by the General Assembly last week. For FY20, state revenues finished approximately seven percent down from last year, \$1 billion below what was forecast in January. Statewide there was \$438.5 million GR restricted to balance the budget. The DMH total was \$16,742,848. For more information, read the Governor's press release and FY21 Expenditure Restrictions.
- 2. Missouri's Rate of Opioid Deaths Decreasing DHSS Official News Release Federal overdose deaths in 2019 decreased from 2018, marking the first year since 2015 that Missouri has experienced a decrease in opioid overdose deaths. The number of deaths due to opioid overdose decreased by 3.4% compared to the previous year. From 2015 to 2016 there was a 35% increase in opioid overdose deaths in the state, followed by a 5% increase in 2017, and a 19% increase in 2018.

In 2018, the number of opioid overdose deaths in the state peaked at 1,132 deaths. In total for 2019, there were 1,094 opioid overdose deaths, with 224 heroin deaths and 870 opioid deaths that were non-heroin related. This shows a continuing trend of a total decrease in heroin deaths as fentanyl is becoming more prevalent as an illicitly-manufactured opioid.

"We are encouraged by the decline and it shows a lot of hard work by many people in collaboration throughout Missouri. But it's important to remember when looking at data that behind every number is a person and their unique story," said Dr. Randall Williams, director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. "One overdose death is too many. Those who have lost a loved one to an opioid overdose can attest to that. There is still much work to be done."

Black males continue to be the most impacted race-gender group in Missouri when it comes to opioid overdoses. Despite a statewide decrease in opioid overdose deaths, Black males experienced a 15% increase in deaths, resulting in an age-adjusted rate of 72.15 per 100,000. This is almost 4 times higher than the statewide age-adjusted rate of 18.82 per 100,000. While white male deaths decreased by 12%, they have the second highest rate at 20.36. Black females experienced a 15% decrease from the previous year, resulting in a rate of 17.69. The white female rate showed almost no change from 2018 and remains the lowest of the race-gender groups at 11.31 deaths per 100,000.

The CDC's National Center for Health Statistics <u>recently released provisional counts of overdose deaths</u> in the United States. These nationwide statistics showed an increase of 3.0% from 2018 to 2019 (12-month periods ending in November of each respectively). Despite the national increase, the number of opioid overdose deaths in Missouri have decreased. In 2019, 1,094 lives were lost compared to 1,132 in 2018 and while the rate of death has not yet reached 2017 levels (951 deaths) the overall annual decrease is encouraging. Nearly half of these deaths occurred in the St. Louis area.

For more information related to opioid misuse in Missouri or how to get help, visit <u>Time2ActMissouri.com.</u> For additional news from DHSS, visit the DHSS Website.

Illustrations of data

*Source: Missouri Vital Statistics. 2019 data is provisional.

opioid-death-by-gender-race

death-by-type

- 3. Updated SOR Implementation Guide While it does not include information pertaining to recent developments in telehealth due to COVID-19, we did not want to delay the release of the Revised/Updated SOR Implementation Guide any longer. Some of the new content includes:
 - GPRA information
 - Eligibility Determination Memorandum
 - Resources for the Use of Methadone and Naltrexone

SOR Impl Guide Updated July_2020

Please replace any prior versions of the implementation manual with this version. Please alert <u>Tim Rudder</u> of any related guestions, concerns or comments.

- 4. DMH CARES Now Available for All State Employees On Tuesday, July 14, DMH will launch the DMH CARES (Communicating and Reaching Employees Supportively) webinar series on Tuesdays from 3:30 –4pm for all state employees. This live, interactive wellness webinar discusses mental health/wellness tips, stress management exercises, resilience education, and more. It is sponsored by MO Show Me Hope, the Crisis Counseling Program funded by FEMA, and the series has been very well received by DMH employees for several months now. Encourage other state employees to join by sharing the registration link and flyer.
- 5. **QPR Trainings Update** DMH partnered with the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare to provide free virtual suicide prevention training on a model called QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) to community members across Missouri. This basic training teaches how to spot suicide warning signs, get help, and save a life. 82% of attendees that completed the post survey believed the training would help them to help someone who was suicidal. There were ten trainings provided in June with a total of 227 individuals trained. Due to the large demand, an additional eight QPR trainings are planned for July for individuals from the June waitlist.
- 6. Improving Community Treatment Success Initiative (the project formerly known as JRI) DMH is working with the Department of Corrections on promoting "Improving Community Treatment Success" (ICTS), formerly called the Justice Reinvestment Initiative Treatment Pilot (JRITP). Promotion will focus on the success of clients and how ICTS housing, employment, peer support and treatment impacted their recovery. ICTS providers can share ICTS success stories with Angela Plunkett.
- 7. Mental Health Commission Meeting DMH held its monthly meeting of the Missouri Mental Health Commission on Thursday, July 9, by WebEx. Commissioners were updated on division situational action reports regarding COVID-19 as well as other issues.
- 8. Paycheck Protection Program Legislative Extension The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) was enacted as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (Pub. L. No. 116-136), to provide lending to both small and large businesses. The PPP loan application deadline previously was June 30, 2020 and <u>S. 4116</u> extends the deadline to August 8, 2020.
- 9. **COVID-19 Provider Survey** MO HealthNet providers can take a survey and provide feedback regarding MO HealthNet's response to COVID-19. The survey will remain open through July 17, 2020. The link to the survey is https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QVPMH32.

- CIMOR Priority For questions regarding CIMOR Priority notices, please email the CIMOR DBH Support Center by
 Logging In and selecting the Help Ticket option found on the left side menu of the portal,
 https://portal.dmh.mo.gov.
 - Medicaid Sweep Schedule for FY21 The implementation of the Medicaid Sweep process will be on the <u>first Thursday for the following months</u> of Fiscal Year <u>2021</u>: August 6, 2020; November 5, 2020; February 4, 2021; and May 6, 2021. All encounters that are less than one year old, have never been on a claim to MO HealthNet, and have been paid on a non-Medicaid invoice or went to Over Allocation or No External Payer status will be picked up in the process.

In June 2021, we will create a report to identify encounters that were not claimed to MO HealthNet, but now have Medicaid eligibility. Agencies may want to manually "Replace" these encounters in order to have them claimed to MO HealthNet. The sweep process works as follows:

- Paid in full encounters will go to "Ready to Void" status. They will go to "Voided" status after the nightly encounter processing.
- Over Allocation or No External Payer encounters will go to "Ready to Process" status and then to "Open Claim" status after the nightly encounter processing.
- Ready to Rebill encounters created by the sweep will go to "Open Claim" status after the nightly encounter processing.

Reports will be available in your FTP folder identifying the encounters that were affected by this process. A priority notice will be sent out the week of the Medicaid Sweep or if the Medicaid Sweep schedule is modified.

- HK Modifier DMH identified that several procedure codes with the HK modifier were rejecting at MO HealthNet on the planned July 10 RA. DMH has worked with MO HealthNet to correct this issue. This was due to an unrelated system update they had implemented. To correct this issue, MO HealthNet is recycling these rejected claims. This process should be completed before the RA processes on July 10.
- 11. ITCD Newsletter Summer 2020 Edition Check out the recent edition of the ITCD Newsletter! Other editions and resources can be found on the ITCD webpage.

ITCD Summer 2020

- 12. 2020 SOAR Outcomes Collection Data Submission Deadline: Friday, August 7, 2020 It's that time of year again! The SAMHSA SOAR TA Center is collecting outcomes on SOAR-assisted adult SSI/SSDI cases and SOAR-assisted child SSI cases (initials and appeals) that were decided between July 1, 2019, and June 30, 2020. Please check your SOAR Online Application Tracking (OAT) account and ensure that you have entered all of your SOAR-assisted SSI/SSDI cases, both approvals and denials. Please contact Brooke Dawson, your SOAR State Team Lead with questions. Remember that every approval is a life transformed. Thank you for all the amazing work that you do!
- 13. PPS CVS Updates CIMOR Test environment will be overlaid on July 13, 2020. This will impact CCBHO testing. Any consumer updates made in CIMOR production will be reflected in Test after July 13, 2020. Test claims submitted to CVS after July 13, 2020, will reflect the outcome based on the updated consumer information. As a reminder, DMH is accepting the new spreadsheet format for past shadow claims. A provider can start submitting in small batches instead of waiting for all claims to be ready for submission. Smaller batches are preferred and will assist in correction should there be any errors. The drop location in your SFTP file is "Plan B Spreadsheet." We will start processing these upon receipt and will work directly with providers for any necessary updates. Should you have questions on the process, please email Terra-Anne Erke.

14. Other COVID-19 Updates & Resources -

 Missouri-Specific Coronavirus Regional Data - MHA and the Hospital Industry Data Institute <u>introduced</u> a new set of weekly COVID-19 dashboards providing regional trends and models of predicted cases designed to help government leaders, local public health officials, health care organizations and businesses understand the influence of COVID-19 on their communities and make informed decisions when protecting citizens, customers, employees and patients: https://web.mhanet.com/coronavirus-disease.aspx. Daily situational awareness is available on the DHSS website.

- DATIS COVID-19 Resource Center This resource is complete with workforce management articles, guidance
 on new regulation and other resources curated specifically for health and human services organizations:
 https://resources.datis.com/covid-19-resource-center.
- COVID-19 Community Testing Info DHSS is partnering with local health departments and health care
 providers to offer community testing events. For current community testing locations and information,
 including links to register, please visit:
 https://dcphdo02redcap.azurewebsites.net/redcap/surveys/?s=DEX3J7THHM.
- **DBH Community COVID Positives Data** To date, we have received reports of 115 consumers and 39 staff members testing positive for COVID-19 (from 36 providers). Please send any reports of staff or client positives to nora.bock@dmh.mo.gov and copy karen.will@dmh.mo.gov.
- DBH Treatment Provider Calls We are scheduled for every two weeks on Wednesdays at 12pm. Next scheduled call is *July 22, 2020*. Resources that we encourage you to check out (these pages all continue to be updated):

DBH COVID-19 Guidance/Resources - MoHelpNow

DMH Disaster Services Website - https://dmh.mo.gov/disaster-services/covid-19-information

Show Me Strong Recovery Plan - https://showmestrong.mo.gov/#page-top

MO DHSS Website - https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/

CDC Website - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

INFO and RESOURCES

- 1. New Taking on the "Perfect Storm": Faith-based Organizations and Partnerships Address COVID-19 and Critical Behavioral Health Needs in Communities of Color During this National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month communities are facing the "perfect storm" of crises that are deepening the disparities in mental health and wellbeing. The current COVID-19 pandemic, economic crisis, behavioral health crisis, and civil unrest disproportionately affects communities of color. Community, spiritual, and faith-based organizations play an essential role in helping these communities handle deeply experienced trauma, loss, and grief. Join this virtual roundtable to learn how faith-based organizations are supporting the mental health concerns of racial/ethnic minorities and providing opportunities to receive support and connection through faith-based practices and partnerships. Thursday, July 16, 2020, 2-3pm CT. Register
- New Senators seek Telehealth Expansion for Substance Abuse Treatment A new bill before the U.S. Senate aims
 to expand the telehealth platform for substance abuse treatment. Introduced the first week of July, the Telehealth
 Response for E-prescribing Addiction Therapy Services (TREATS) Act would make permanent certain emergency
 actions passed during the coronavirus pandemic to boost telehealth access for SUD treatment (mHealth
 Intelligence). Read More
- 3. New Innovations in New Payment Models: A Look At State Examples Of Value-Based Payments The healthcare economy continues to shift from the fee-for-service model that has been in existence for decades to value-based payment. While there are many forms of value-based models being trialed and implemented, there are examples of models that span slight experimentation through provider organizations partnering with payers to take on full

medical risk for a population. In this webinar, two national experts will discuss the innovations around new payment models in a lively townhall format. Participants will learn: The structure of some value-based models and their requirements, state-based examples of value-based reimbursements, and a list of to-dos for those organizations evaluating their readiness and actions to consider in preparing for value-based payment. *Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 11-12pm CT, rebroadcast from 2-3pm CT*. Register

- 4. New SAMHSA Virtual Event on Supporting Families of Adults with SMI and SUD SAMHSA announced an upcoming Recovery Live! virtual event that will discuss support for families of adults with SMI and/or SUD. Many family members provide emotional, social, and instrumental supports including help with money, housing, childcare, and transportation. Family members also assist loved ones with accessing and navigating services. Because of this, organizations are recognizing that supporting families is an important part of the services they offer. The virtual event will include national experts discussing the experiences of families supporting loved ones. Thursday, July 23, 2020, 1-2pm CT. Register
- 5. **New Psychosocial Interventions appear to Enhance Immune System Function** Psychosocial interventions are reliably associated with improved immunity and, consequently, appear to be a feasible way to improve immune-related health, according to a systematic review and meta-analysis in *JAMA Psychiatry*. Read More
- 6. New Emergency Visits for Deliberate Self-Harm by Children Tripled in 10 Years Pediatric emergency department visits for deliberate self-harm rose 329% from 2007 to 2016, according to a study published online in the journal Pediatrics. Read More
- 7. **New** 'Tragically High' Suicide Rate Accompanies Schizophrenia Diagnosis The suicide rate among people with schizophrenia spectrum disorders is 170 times higher than in the general population, according to a study published online in the journal *Schizophrenia Research*. Read More
- 8. **New People With OCD Facing Unique Battle in COVID-19 Era** People with obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) and other serious anxieties face uniquely difficult mental health battles, including trying to distinguish concerns brought on by their conditions from general fears shared by the public about COVID-19. <u>Read More</u>
- 9. Emerging Issues around COVID-19 and Social Determinants of Health for the Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Workforces - Social Determinants of Health (SDH) are the complex, integrated, and overlapping social structures, policies, and economic systems, including the social and physical environments, health-services structure, and societal factors that are responsible for most health inequities. To better understand the ways in which SDH create differential impacts in communities of color and/or underserved communities during the current COVID-19 pandemic, a national SDH series with the substance-use prevention, treatment, and recovery workforces was facilitated. Read More
- 10. SAMHSA Publication on Stimulants SAMHSA has issued a new guide that describes relevant research findings, examines best practices, identifies knowledge gaps and implementation challenges and offers useful resources. <u>Read the Publication</u>
- 11. **FSD Contact Methods during the Pandemic** Please be aware that Family Support Division resource centers remain closed to the general public at this time, although some are seeing customers by appointment. Drop boxes at the resource centers also remain closed at this time. Please post the attached flyers as appropriate.

If providers are assisting a DMH consumer with the application process or with submitting verification, any paperwork can be sent to: FSD Greene County Office | Mail: 101 Park Central Square, Springfield MO 65806 | Email: Greene.CoDFSIM@dss.mo.gov | Fax: 417-895-6080.



Drop Box Closed.pdf

FSD Office Signage.pdf

If the consumer is applying or submitting verification, the paperwork should be sent to: Family Support Division | Mail: PO Box 2700, Jefferson City, MO 65102 | Email: FSD.Documents@dss.mo.gov | Fax: 573-526-9400.

Please contact <u>DMH.MedicaidEligibility@dmh.mo.gov</u> if you have any questions, concerns, or MO HealthNet eligibility issues.

12. **Probation and Parole Regional Oversight Meetings** – These are subject to change given rapidly changing plans regarding COVID-19. For any questions regarding the P&P Regional Oversight Meetings, please contact Katie Andrews at katie.andrews@dmh.mo.gov and/or 573-522-6163.

July 29 - SE Region - 10-12pm

Location: La Croix Methodist, 3102 Lexington Ave., Cape Girardeau

September 4 - SW Region - TBD

September 11 – Northeast Region (Districts 3, 18, 26) – 9-12pm Location: Moberly P&P Office, 1317 E. Hwy 24, Suite B, Moberly

September 22 – Northeast Region (Districts 11, 16, 17, 38) – 10-12pm

Location: TBD

September 23 – Eastern Region – 9-11am

Location: Zoom Meeting

November 17 - North Central Region - 10-12pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

TBD – Western Region – (To be rescheduled from June 9)

Location: KC-ATC, 2600 E. 12th St., Kansas City

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. Stress First Aid (SFA) Virtual Courses DMH Office of Disaster Services is hosting two virtual trainings on Stress First Aid. Please send an email to Shelby Hood if you are interested in attending.
 - Stress First Aid for Self-Care and Coworker Support This course includes a set of supportive actions designed
 to help those who work in high-stress jobs reduce the negative impacts of stress. SFA recognizes that critical
 incidents are not the only stressors that professionals face and is therefore based on the acknowledgement
 that stress reactions can be ongoing and cumulative, resulting from multiple sources. It is designed to be
 attentive to traumatic events but also on work and personal stress, as well as loss, and inner conflict or moral
 injury. Monday, July 13, 2020, 1-5pm CT
 - Stress First Aid for Use with Patients, Clients and Customers This course includes a set of tools that helps workers support and reduce stress in those they serve in public. This version of SFA is similar to Psychological First Aid (PFA) in that it aims to reduce distress and help move people towards more effective coping. However, it has a broader focus then PFA, in that it is intended to be used with those who are significantly stressed for any reason, and at any point in their exposure to stress. Thursday, July 16, 2020, 1-5pm CT
- 2. New Complex Trauma: The Connection between Mental Health, COVID-19, and Social Unrest There is unprecedented stress impacting individuals, families and communities across cultures, generations, genders and racial groups. As hope began to emerge that the COVID-19 pandemic might be waning and social isolation nearing an end, new spikes of infection are being reported across the nation. At the same time, our nation is also reckoning with the systemic racism laid bare by the COVID-19 racial disparities and bringing to light the additional traumas experienced by Black, Indigenous and People of Color. Join recognized experts on trauma and resilience for a virtual workshop around how to support individuals in developing healing and resiliency from these overwhelming and cumulative traumas. Learn how to recognize moral injury, identify its signs and gain the tools to address the traumatic impact of the current environment and support healing and a resilient recovery.

This workshop will be offered two times on a first-come first-served basis. *Monday, July 13, 2020, 1:30-3pm CT*. Register | *Wednesday, August 5, 2020, 11:30-1pm CT*. Register

- 3. Going Virtual In the constantly evolving behavioral health field, provider organizations across the country are facing challenges in adapting to a virtual environment due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This new online series is designed to orient providers on the ins and outs of virtual meetings, facilitation and online learning. Topics will cover everything from implementing a digital platform right down to video integration and tailoring your message to your audiences.
 - Part 4: Keeping the Momentum Going Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 12-1pm CT Register
- 4. Virtual Learning Sessions: Culture is Prevention Culture is fundamental to developing a successful career or organization, and building that culture is everyone's responsibility. Despite recent progress, health disparities continue to be a challenge among Latino/Hispanic, Native Americans, and Alaska Natives, compared to the U.S. population as a whole. National data show the need to enhance services and access to services for culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Providing culturally and linguistically appropriate prevention services requires an understanding of cultural competence/humility.
 - Session 2: Spirituality In The Native American Culture and its Role in Prevention and Healing Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 1-2:30pm CT. Register
 - Session 3: Spirituality in the Hispanic and Latino Culture and its Role in Prevention and Healing Wednesday, July 22, 2020, 1-2:30pm CT. Register
 - Session 4: How We Can Culturally Navigate Between the Two Communities Wednesday, August 5, 2020, 1-2:30pm CT. Register
- 5. Best Practices for Working with Urban Girls with Challenging Attitudes Teen girls from urban backgrounds often display challenging attitudes as defense mechanisms to hide the pain or trauma that has impacted their lives. Girls in pain are often misunderstood as simply "troublemakers," without unpacking the root causes of the behaviors. This webinar will discuss strategies that administrators, social workers, and counselors can use to help teen girls. Thursday, July 16, 2020, 1-3:30pm CT. Registration fee: \$39. Register
- 6. New Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: People of Color, Disabilities, and Mental Health This webinar explores the unique intersection of disability, mental health, and people of color. People of color experience higher rates of disability and mental health conditions, but often face decreased access to care and have other co-occurring health disparities. This presentation will highlight these inequities and discuss how to work towards eliminating these disparities and becoming stronger allies for people of color. Thursday, July 23, 2020, 1-2pm CT. Register
- 7. Trauma-Informed Treatment: Applications in Clinical Settings Ninety percent of clients in community behavioral health settings and 70 percent of all Americans report experiencing at least one traumatic event throughout their lifetime. Traumatic events, whether sexual assault, physical and emotional abuse, or natural disaster have the potential to impact every area of a person's life. It is imperative that mental health professionals have the tools needed to screen for traumatic events while also knowing how to further assess the impact of the trauma(s) on the client's life. This training will assist the professional in formally screening for trauma, further assessing the impact of traumatic events, and determining how to move forward in treatment. Friday, July 24, 2020, 1-4pm CT. Registration fee: \$39. Register
- 8. **Best Practices for Co-occurring Disorder Treatment: Organizational Structure and Service Environment** Program structure and milieu set the organizational foundation and tone for building integrated behavioral health capacity. This webinar will explore a variety of strategies for establishing an organizational culture that clearly communicates support for individuals with co-occurring disorders. *Thursday, July 30, 2020, 12-1pm CT*. Register
- Health Disparities in African American Communities: A Historical and Psychological Perspective This presentation
 will review the health disparities recently exposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Data will be
 presented that highlight the impact on the African American community, followed by a review of the traditional

rationales provided for these disparities. The presenter will then offer some alternative rationales and considerations based on historical factors that have impacted the African American community. In addition, insights from Black Psychology will be provided to re-frame the discussion. *Thursday, July 30, 2020, 1-4pm CT*. Registration fee: \$49. Register

- 10. **New FSP Training** Family Support Providers give assistance to families with children or youth experiencing behavioral health, substance use, or developmental disability challenges. Parents and caregivers can access support and resources through their FSP, along with other services they provide. Consider attending the next training event, being held via Zoom, **August 17-19, 2020**. For questions regarding registration, please email Jill Richardson.
- 11. New Missouri Behavioral Health Conference -



Please visit <u>www.mocoalition.org/conference</u> for more information as it becomes available.

Price: \$140 per person, which includes continuing education.

Hotel Reservation: For convenience, the hotel reservations will be rolled into the conference registration!

12. Missouri Substance Use Prevention Conference – Mark your calendars for the Missouri Substance Use Prevention Conference on November 16-17, 2020. This is a virtual event hosted by the Missouri Prevention Resource Center Network. More details will be provided at a later date.



RECURRING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Please contact the training sponsor as these events may be subject to change given the developing COVID-19 situation.

1. Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution – The MO-HOPE Project has scheduled virtual trainings through the end of July 2020. Trainings are free, but registration is required.

AVAILABLE TRAINING DATE:

Thursday, July 30, 2020, 10-12pm CT, Register

TRAINING OF TRAINERS:

Emergency Responder Naloxone Distribution: *Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 1-3pm CT*, Register Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution: *Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 10-12pm CT*, Register

2. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) - MFHA is now available in a variety of formats, including a fully <u>virtual</u> course. MHFA teaches an individual how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorder. This training teaches the skills needed to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care. Youth MHFA is also available for adults working with youth (age 12-18). Register today to be the one to make a difference for your friends, family members, colleagues, students, or children. This training is designed for the general community and is being offered for free through the DMH. Check out the MO MHFA website to register and for more frequent

updates.

- 3. 2020 Suicide Prevention Virtual Conference This virtual event is brought to you by the DMH, MO Coalition, and Community Counseling Center. Register Dates: Kick-off July 30 with a full day of exciting and relevant keynote presentations. Next, one webinar every other Thursday starting August 6 through October 29. Cost: The virtual conference is free unless the attendee would like continuing education. If so, the cost is \$20 per person. Equipment needed: A laptop/computer with speakers and internet in order to participate in the webinars. Because of the size, there will not be an option to call in for these webinars. Continuing Education: The certificate will be sent at the end of the event on October 29 with the total number of hours the attendee participated in throughout the event.

 Networking: An app/weblink for the event to help with networking during the virtual events will be provided. Information on how to access the app/weblink will be sent two weeks before to the event.
- 4. MCB's Clinical Supervision Trainings This training is required for an individual to be a MCB Qualified Clinical Supervisor. If you have any questions, please contact the MCB office at 573-616-2300 or help@missouricb.com
 July 30 and 31, 2020 Joplin Click Here for the July Joplin CST Training Registration Form
 November 19 and 20, 2020 St. Louis Click Here for the November St. Louis CST Training Registration Form
- 5. MAT (Buprenorphine) Waiver Course Opioid SOR, in partnership with the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare are providing an 8-hour MAT Waiver Course. This course is different from the traditional 8-hour live course, as the first 4-hours will be in person and then the last 4-hours will be individual online work. Once you complete the first 4-hour live training, you will receive an email from AAAP with a link for the other 4-hours of individual work. Once that work is completed, they will send you a certificate of completion.

AVAILABLE TRAINING DATES:

St. Louis, Missouri

Saturday, September 26, 2020 - Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm CT, Presenter: Dr. Evan Schwarz Saturday, November 7, 2020 - Time: 8:30am - 12:30pm CT, Presenter: Dr. Evan Schwarz

Register Here: http://www.cvent.com/d/chqswn
*Additional dates may be added throughout the year.

8 Hour Online MAT Waiver Training

Register Here: https://learning.pcssnow.org/p/onlinematwaiver

6. 2020 Certified Peer Specialist Supervision Trainings – This training is strongly encouraged for any current or future peer specialist supervisor (individuals supervising a CPS). It has been updated so individuals who have attended a training in the past are welcome to attend again. The training is free and will be done in a virtual format only. Once registered, participants will be given a link to watch four videos before the Zoom meeting date. Click Here For Peer Supervision Training Registration Form. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the MCB office at 573-616-2300 or help@missouricb.com. The Zoom meetings are scheduled for 9-11am on the following dates:

Tuesday, September 22, 2020 Thursday, October 22, 2020 Thursday, December 17, 2020

Look for updates on different topics/initiatives next Friday!