



# Health Home Highlights



Promoting Wellness and Recovery

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## **Attention Potential Health Home Applicants**

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) have been working to provide an innovative new service for individuals with serious and persistent mental illness and emotional disorders: the Medicaid Health Home. After the launch of Phase One last September in Adams, Butler, Lawrence, Lucas and Scioto counties, many lessons were learned. As a result, extra time is being taken to ensure that the Health Home service is targeted toward the right individuals and providers, and is sustainable.

In accordance with the August 14, 2013 memorandum from OhioMHAS Director Tracy Plouck and ODM Director John McCarthy announcing that changes are anticipated to the planned rules for Phase Two, OhioMHAS is requesting that community behavioral health centers postpone submission of their Health Home certification applications until further guidance is provided. The memo is available at: <http://1.usa.gov/19yhoUa>.

## **Postponed: Health Home Application Webinars**

The technical assistance webinar sessions hosted by the OhioMHAS Bureau of Licensure and Certification that were scheduled through September 2013 have been postponed. Please stay tuned for updates concerning future technical assistance opportunities.

## **Visit the OhioMHAS Health Home Website**

For news and updates related to Ohio's Health Home initiative, visit the [OhioMHAS Health Home website](#).

## **Questions?**

Please submit questions about Ohio Medicaid Health Homes to [healthhomes@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:healthhomes@mha.ohio.gov).