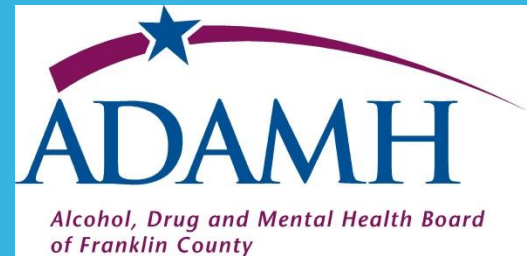


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# ADULT SERVICES

- Who is eligible for services?

ADAMH Board of Franklin County's priority is to serve persons with severe and persistent mental illness. The majority of the clients that we serve meet this criteria.

- How do you Access Services?

Orientation every Tuesday and Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 pm.

- How does a participant progress through services?

Personal Vocational Assessment – Uses Motivational Interviewing techniques to identify the participants strengths, needs, preferences and abilities. With the information that is gathered in this assessment, we look at where the participant is in the stages of change. (Pre-contemplation / Contemplation, Preparation, Action and Maintenance)

# ADULT SERVICES (CON'T)

An individualized vocational plan is then created with the participant that sets goals and objectives to move a participant through the various stages of change.

- Programs:

Pre-contemplation / Contemplation – Group Hope, WRAP-Wellness Action Recovery Plan, Visions of Recovery – Groups designed to help you move from I think that I may want to work to I want to work.

Preparation- Individual one on one services to help the participant complete their resume, work on interview skills (JSST suite), and do job searches that match the participant's job goal. Explorer's club group helps the participant build specific skills such as interviewing or online applications and an action plan for securing work.

# ADULT SERVICES (CON'T)

**Action-**This is the stage where the participant is actively seeking employment. If the participant decides to disclose their mental illness we to the potential employer, we can be actively involved. The vocational specialist is involved as little or as much as the participant wants.

**Maintenance** – The person obtains a job and we place the person in our unlimited follow along services. This allows the vocational specialist to keep in contact with the participant and their employer (if they decide to disclose) to intervene when needed and work with the participant's other providers and supporters to maintain employment when possible.

# PROJECT WORK

- Sometimes a participant is able to obtain a job, but because of many reasons may not be able to maintain a job. Maybe a person has a forensic history and they need to build a work history. In these instances and many others, we can make a referral to our Project Work program.
- This is a paid work experience in a transitional work program that has a supportive work environment. They work with a team of persons that provide vocational rehabilitation services to help the participant succeed.
- There are various work settings such as lawncare, janitorial, and office. The majority of the placements are in a janitorial setting.
- The participant is paid minimum wage.
- The ultimate goal is to place the participant in community employment and length of stay is no more than 1 year.



# BENEFITS CONSULTATION

- **MYTH - someone who is on benefits is not able work. The circumstances of drawing benefits and working varies by situation, so we employ benefits specialists that can do the in depth research to help our participants make an informed decision about working and how that may or may not effect their benefits.**
- **Benefits Specialist are CWIC and Ohio Benefit Bank Trained.**
- **What we have found is that participants will be skeptical of working until they have the information to make an informed decision.**
- **Benefits Specialists provide in depth report and consultation about working and how benefits may or may not be effected by working. The report can give different scenarios given the participants work goals.**

# BENEFITS CONSULTATION (CON'T)

- Benefits specialist can also help with application assistance if not receiving benefits.
- Benefits Specialist help participants file their taxes on an annual basis through the Ohio Benefit Bank to take advantage Earned Income Tax Credits, Child Care Tax Credits and others as applicable.



# RECOVERYWORKS

- Our newest program. This program is offered in Franklin, Delaware and Morrow counties and is open to adults who are experiencing challenges with mental wellness and any addictive behaviors.
- It is for anyone who is seeking support for empowering their life's recovery journey.
- This is a revolutionary approach to empower people through self-direct recovery for the whole person. It uses a very personal approach enabled by technology.
- It was developed by using an innovation team composed of people who embodied the same challenges as those who become wellness members in this program.
- The program continues to evolve based on feedback from members.
- The program offers both in person services and online services through the use of MyRecoveryWorks.com. A member can use all of the services or just a few.





# RECOVERYWORKS (CON'T)

- In person services are provided / supported by Recovery Guides who have had challenges with mental wellness and / or any addictive behavior. Some of our services are offered by wellness members themselves who offer classes based upon their individual strengths and abilities. These services include support groups, a meditative walking class, a knitting class, computer classes, resource center with 12 computers, etc.
- MyRecoveryWorks.com includes online document storage; HOPE (Here's Our Personal Experience) which includes affirmations, personal recovery stories and positive quotes; secure online personal journal; participate and learn which includes online streaming of computer classes; community resources; chatting with a Recovery Guide and forums.

# RECOVERYWORKS (CON'T)

- MyRecoveryWorks.com includes the ability for a wellness member to share their recovery journey with a supporter by being able to invite supporters to see and gain access to individual journal entries and electronic files and make suggestions for the wellness member. The wellness member can revoke that access at any time as well.
- RecoveryWorks offers a wide range of computer classes that help wellness members. The classes range in skill levels from I know nothing about computers in our Computer Newbies class to I am advanced and want training in Word, Excel and Powerpoint.
- Computer class offerings also include a class designated to MyRecoveryWorks.com and includes information on how a wellness member might take advantage of every section in the website.

