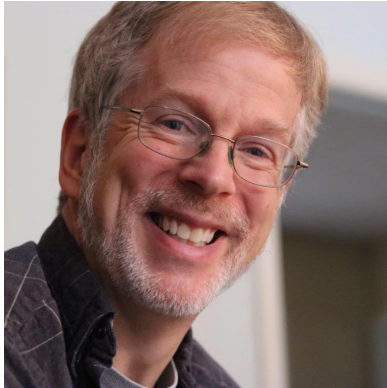


JULY, 2017

ANOTHER BUSY YEAR FOR CEP



Jim Foley, LISW-S

The Community Education and Prevention Department, funded by the Mental Health & Recovery Board and state and local grants, have provided services in various community locations including schools, jails, homes, and businesses during our fiscal year 2017

Jail-based staff have helped people transition back into the community while addressing behavioral health issues, and have assisted them in finding housing and employment. The Early Child Mental Health program has helped many teachers and children become more skilled and resilient, and has provided training, resources, and individualized consultation to the parents. Family Support Aides have assisted families to become more nurturing, cohesive, and successful. The School-based counseling program has provided counseling to students and consultation to staff. Director Jim Foley teaches various classes and does community presentations on a variety of topics. In addition, he serves on a number of community collaborative committees dealing with behavioral health issues.

Training, consultation, and coalition-building have all grown and diversified this year. We doubled our number of Youth Mental Health First Aid sessions, continued suicide prevention training and screening/referral and offered presentations on new topics ranging from dealing with hoarding behavior to farm financial stress.

ELECTRONIC RECORDS SYSTEM UPDATED

The Center recently upgraded its electronic health records system. The upgrade will improve functionality and flexibility in a number of areas. The new system is internet based, allows remote access, and also facilitates enhanced communication within our offices. It incorporates elements needed for successful transition to behavioral health redesign requirements and will assist us to efficiently participate in Medicaid managed care, scheduled for 2018.

STAFF TRANSITIONS

Bonnie Nair has joined our staff as the Administrative Assistant. She is a Wooster native with experience working in other not for profit organizations. She replaces Connie Wilhelm, who served as Administrative Assistant for 20 years. Connie now is in the newly created position of Human Resources Assistant.

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