

The Counseling Center of
Wayne & Holmes Counties
2285 Benden Drive
Wooster, OH 44691

CENTER UPDATE

NOVEMBER, 2013

GRANTS AWARDED

The Counseling Center has recently been selected by the Mental Health and Recovery Board (MHRB) to implement additional mental health services in the jails in both Wayne County and Holmes County. The purpose of the grant is to assure that persons who are incarcerated with mental health or substance abuse concerns are appropriately screened while incarcerated and linked to appropriate services upon discharge. The MHRB has previously determined that approximately 77% of the incarcerated persons in the community have some sort of diagnosable illness. In addition, 84% of those that have been successfully linked with follow-up services in the past have been able to avoid further contact with the criminal justice system. The grant will expand the availability of screening and service linkage in both counties by placing a trained mental health specialist in each facility.

CEO APPOINTED TO ADVISORY BOARD

Susan Buchwalter, Ph.D., Counseling Center CEO, has been appointed to the Executive Leadership Advisory Board of **Genoa Healthcare Holdings**. Genoa is a privately held company which operates a network of clinic and institutional pharmacies throughout the United States, most of which are located in community mental health centers. Genoa offers specialized and essential pharmacy and laboratory services to individuals with mental illness and addictions and those involved in their care.

The purpose of the Advisory Board is to provide advice, consultation, and expertise to the officers of Genoa regarding strategic planning and business expansion, along with operations, structure, policies and management.



NEW STAFF

The Counseling Center is pleased to welcome several new staff members, including:

- ◆ **Samantha White, MA, LPC**, Therapist
- ◆ **Anne Funk-Chance, BSSW, LSW**, Community Psychiatric Support Social Worker
- ◆ **Jennifer Smith**, Family Support Aide for Holmes County
- ◆ **Veronica Miller, MSW, LSW**, Early Childhood Home-Based Social Worker

COUNSELING CENTER RECEIVES AWARD

The Counseling Center has been selected by the Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce and the Wayne County Community Foundation as the 2013 recipient of the Worthy Works Award. The award, which comes with a \$1,000 donation to support the work of the organization, will be presented at the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner in January.

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