Conflict of Interest

Please read the following information carefully prior to filing your Conflict of Interest Form and retain this page for future reference. Depending on the complexity of the Conflict of Interest, the overall process may take a few months. Your patience is appreciated during this process. The OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee will consist of four OhioMHAS staff members. All recommendations will be presented to the OhioMHAS Deputy Director of Treatment and Recovery.

Investigation/Conflict of Interest may be filed with OhioMHAS if they involve:

1. Investigations are confidential. Immediately after receipt of a formal written statement about the Conflict of Interest, an acknowledgment letter will be mailed to the complainant. When the review committee is assigned, they may or may not contact you for supplemental information. You may be asked to provide further information, such as documentation, physical evidence, or clarification of the information that you have already provided. Interviews are conducted with the complainant when deemed necessary.

2. The members the OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee may interview the Certified Peer Recovery Supporter and employer(s) in addition to obtaining documentation and records. Conflicts of Interest are not public information; investigations are confidential. Upon completing an investigation the OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee prepares an investigative summary of the case. The investigation may take as little as a few weeks or several months, and varies case by case.

3. A member the OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee will review and make a recommendation or ask for additional information. The OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee and Deputy Director of Treatment and Recovery will review all cases.

4. When the OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee meets, they will discuss the investigation with the Deputy Director of Treatment and Recovery, and then vote to accept recommendations or not.

5. When the OhioMHAS Conflict of Interest Review Committee indicates that a violation appears to have occurred, the Ohio Certified Peer Recovery Supporter has hearing and appeal rights pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. The Certified Peer Recovery Supporter shall be given notice of the right to a hearing and have thirty days to request one.

6. If the Ohio Certified Peer Recover Supporter does not request a hearing, the Ohio Peer Recovery Supporters Certification will be revoked. Disciplinary action may be posted on the Ohio Peer Recovery Supporter Certification and Medicaid websites. (The committee does not offer a consent agreement in all cases; some may go directly to a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.)

7. Complainants and Peer Recovery Supporters are notified in writing regarding the outcome of the investigation.