The Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) offers life-changing possibilities to individuals and families living with mental health or addiction issues. ADAMH is looking for board members who are passionate about ensuring equitable and affordable behavioral health services throughout the community.

ADAMH, a levy-funded county agency, partners with more than 30 nonprofit agencies located in communities throughout the county to provide mental health and substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery services, as outlined by Ohio Revised Code. ADAMH is guided by an 18-member board of trustees that is responsible for ensuring ADAMH fulfills its statutory obligations. Trustees are appointed for four-year terms. ADAMH has two appointing authorities for board members, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

ADAMH receives funding from the following three key sources: federal dollars, state departments, and a local property tax levy. A five-year, 2.2 mil property tax levy makes up almost 70 percent of ADAMH’s total annual funding. The last levy was approved by 70 percent of Franklin County voters in 2020 and is effective 2022-2026.

ADAMH trustees receive a new member orientation, a board mentor, annual training opportunities and frequent engagement with the CEO to assure they are informed and comfortable with their new roles and responsibilities.

**Appointment Requirements**
- Must be a current resident of Franklin County
- Must satisfy one of these criteria:
  - Clinician with experience in the delivery of mental health services
  - Clinician with experience in the delivery of addiction services
  - Person who has received or is receiving mental health services
  - Person who has received or is receiving addiction services
  - Parent or relative who has received or is receiving mental health services
  - Parent or relative who has received or is receiving addiction services
- Can serve up to two four-year terms under one appointing authority and two additional terms under another appointing authority, upon recommendation from the board’s nominating committee
- Must not be employed by or serve on the boards of any ADAMH network provider agencies

**Board of Trustees Responsibilities**
- Adheres to requirements outlined in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 340: Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services
- Develops structure through which the board makes its decisions
  - Board of trustees meeting
  - Audit committee
  - Coordinating committee
  - Finance committee
  - Nominating committee
  - Planning committee
  - Ad hoc committees
- Approves policies that guide ADAMH operations
- Approves and monitors a strategic plan through which board goals and objectives are set
- Sets the mission, vision, and core values
- Provides agency and fiscal oversight
- Appoints and monitors the performance of the CEO

**Board Member Expectations**
- Serve at least a four-year term
- Participate in required trainings, including an orientation
- Attend monthly board meetings from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month (with some exceptions) at the ADAMH building (447 East Broad Street, Columbus)
- Attend committee meetings as assigned
- Prepare for meetings by reading board materials in advance
- Ask questions, share and request information, advocate for related issues, when appropriate
- Vote on actions, resolutions, policies
- Avoid conflicts of interest or where possible disclose relevant conflicts of interest
- Adhere to requirements in Ohio Revised Code

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Mission
To lead the planning, funding, and evaluation of community-based recovery-oriented mental health and addiction prevention, treatment, and support services for residents of Franklin County.

Vision
All individuals and families in Franklin County can achieve optimal mental health and wellness, free from stigma, through equitable access to quality community-based services and supports.

Core Values
- Accountability – being responsible for our actions and performance
- Collaboration – working with partners to help individuals and families
- Compassion – willing to help others in need
- Diversity – recognizing uniqueness in everyone
- Equity – being just, impartial, and fair
- Humility – willing to learn from our mistakes
- Inclusion – recognizing, appreciating, and listening to all perspectives
- Innovation – willing to look for new and better ways to help individuals and families
- Integrity – being truthful and honest
- Stewardship – managing the resources entrusted to our care

Systems of Care
- Crisis
- Treatment
- Prevention
- Recovery Supports
- Housing
- Family Supports

Responsibilities
- Advocacy
- Allocation, funding, contracting
- Auditing, compliance, monitoring, evaluation
- Civil inpatient and outpatient commitment
- Community needs assessment/planning
- Inter- and intra-system coordination
- Local levy and resource generation
- Local public authority
- Management of public funds

Provider Network
Africentric Personal Development Shop, Inc.
Alvis, Inc.
The Buckeye Ranch
Columbus Public Health Alcohol & Drug Services
Columbus Urban League
Community for New Direction
Community Housing Network
CompDrug/Youth to Youth
Concord Counseling Services
Directions for Youth & Families
House of Hope, Inc.
Huckleberry House
LifeTown-Friendship Circle
LSS CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence
Maryhaven, Inc.
Mental Health America of Ohio
NAMI Franklin County
National Church Residences
Nationwide Children’s Hospital
Netcare Access
North Central Mental Health Services
North Community Counseling Centers
OhioGuidestone
The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center
The P.E.E.R. Center
PrimaryOne Health
Southeast Healthcare
St. Vincent Family Services
Syntero, Inc.
Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare (TVBH)
Urban Minority Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Outreach Program of Franklin County, Inc. (UMADAOPFC)
The Village Network

Serving the Community
If you are interested in becoming a member of the ADAMH Board of Trustees, please contact the office of the CEO at boardappointments@adamhfranklin.org or call 614-222-3760.

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