



It's a very exciting time for Ohio START. We have plans to expand in big ways over the next few months. This month we have listed job postings for several new positions, including a new program manager who will work in the PCSAO office and 6 new technical assistance consultants to provide intensive technical assistance at the local level. We are especially excited to add a consultant that will be dedicated to assisting with the recruitment, training and onboarding of family peer mentors! Please check out the information below and send on to anyone that may be interested. In addition to new staff, we are going to be adding 15 new counties to the program this fall which will take us to 47 total counties. Big things are happening and I am excited for the next few months. Have a great July!

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ATHENS COUNTY

One of the original Family Peer Mentors in Athens County has secured employment at a local social service agency and efforts were made to recruit and hire a replacement. We are sad to see our START family peer mentors leave but are proud to know that they can continue to find success and remain examples for our current parents.

CLINTON COUNTY

With Clinton County having their peer on sick leave, they are still doing great work with their families. One mom has maintained employment for six months and just signed a lease to an apartment. Dad recently completed treatment, and attended a home visit for the first time in three months and has accepted an invitation to a FTM.

HIGHLAND COUNTY

Highland County has continued to add additional families to the START program and has recently been successful in keeping a family from entering the legal system. The children remain placed on a safety plan with no court intervention. The Highland County START team is also restructuring supervision of the two FPMs in an effort to improve communication and to evenly support this very unique role.

START is Expanding!

START is anticipated to expand and add a third cohort this coming fall with 15 more counties. If you know of any interested counties or counties that would be a good fit for START, the application will open July 15th and be available on the PCSAO website or contact Fawn at fawn@pcsao.org for more information.

State Budget Updates

As of publication, the House and Senate have failed to reach a compromise on the biennial budget (HB 166). Instead, the legislature passed a 17-day extension while the chambers reconcile differences between the two versions of the budget. As a result, any new investments in children services will be delayed until Gov. DeWine is sent a bill to sign, but continuation funding will be in place.

Ohio START Seeks to fill Several Positions

JOB POSTING

PCSAO is looking to build its Ohio START team to continue to support the program as expands across the state. PCSAO has posted several positions the details of which can be found below:

Program Manager position

PCSAO seeks a program manager to assist with the management and implementation of the Ohio START program. In this role, the program manager will focus on the oversight and management of technical assistance required and provided to Ohio START grantees. You can view the [position description here](#) and submit your resume, cover letter and three professional references through the [application form](#) no later than July 22.

Technical Assistance Consultants

PCSAO seeks 5 regional technical assistance consultants to assist with the implementation and sustainability of the Ohio START Program by providing direct technical assistance to Ohio START grantees. You can view the [position description here](#) and submit your resume, cover letter and three professional references through the [application form](#) no later than August 5th.

Family Peer Mentor Consultant

PCSAO seeks a family peer mentor consultant to assist with the recruitment, certification and management of the Ohio START program's family peer mentors. You can view the [position description here](#) and submit your resume, cover letter and three professional references through the [application form](#) no later than August 5th.

Training & TA

All of the currently scheduled trainings with descriptions, dates and locations are listed on The Ohio START Training and TA website that may be found here:

<https://tinyurl.com/ohiostart1819>

Here are a few of the upcoming trainings:

- 7/16: Addiction and Trauma - Stark County, Northeast Ohio Regional Training Center - 264 S Arlington St, Akron, OH
- 7/19: Engagement Skills: Motivational Interviewing - Lorain County JFS - 226 Middle Ave, Elyria, OH
- 8/14: Screening and Intervention for Substance Use Disorders (UNCOPE and ACE) - Richland County Children Services - 731 Scholl Rd, Mansfield
- 08/19: Seeking Safety Trauma Intervention - Lorain County - 226 Middle Ave, Elyria, OH 44035
- 8/20: Family Team Meetings - Richland County Children Services - 731 Scholl Rd, Mansfield
- 8/26-8/27: Nurturing Parent Training - Ross County JFS - 475 Western Ave, Chillicothe OH
- 9/20: Joyful Together Parent/Caregiver Training - Ross County JFS - 475 Western Ave, Chillicothe OH



OHIO START WELCOMES A NEW AMERICORPS VISTA

Starting July 8th, the Ohio START team here at PCSAO welcomed a new VISTA Kristina Green. Kristina is originally from Delaware and is a recent graduate from Ohio Wesleyan University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology and Spanish.

After her year of service, Kristina plans on attending medical school to become a Pediatrician that works with underserved children across the globe. In her free time, Kristina likes to go for hikes with her dog and spend time with her friends and family. Welcome to PCSAO and START Kristina!