Addressing addiction
Policy prescriptions to prevent opiate abuse and tobacco use

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Agenda

9:30 a.m. Welcome and opening remarks
Amy Rohling McGee, MSW, President, Health Policy Institute of Ohio

9:45 a.m. Greatest challenges from the Health Value Dashboard
Amy Bush Stevens, MSW, MPH, Vice President, Prevention and Public Health Policy, HPIO

10:15 a.m. The science of addiction: Adolescent exposure and the trajectory of addiction
Shawn Ryan, MD, MBA, ABEM, ABAM, President & Chief Medical Officer, BrightView

11 a.m. Paying for addiction: The role of Medicaid in reducing tobacco use and opiate abuse
Leighton Ku, PhD, MPH, Professor and Director of the Center for Health Policy Research, George Washington University

11:45 a.m. Lunch and networking

12:30 p.m. Federal and state policy landscape and successes from other states
Micah Berman, JD, Associate Professor of Public Health and Law, The Ohio State University

1:15 p.m. Pain, anxiety and aging: Overprescribing and polypharmacy in the aging population
Donovan Maust, MD, MS, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, University of Michigan Medical School

2 p.m. Local panel: Innovative approaches to addressing addiction in Ohio
Panelists:
• Larry Graham, MD, Mercy Behavioral Health
• Gretchen Hammond PhD, MSW, LSW, LCDC III, Mighty Crow Media
• Cameron McNamee, MPP, State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy

2:30 p.m. Closing comments
Amy Rohling McGee

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Micah Berman
Associate Professor of Public Health and Law, the Ohio State University
Professor Micah Berman holds a joint appointment with The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and the College of Public Health. His scholarship examines the intersection between public health research and legal doctrine, with a focus on tobacco policy. He has published articles in a number of leading journals, including the American Journal of Law & Medicine, the Brooklyn Law Review, and the American Journal of Public Health.

Prior to joining Ohio State, Professor Berman was a member of the faculty at New England Law Boston, where he established and directed the Center for Public Health and Tobacco Policy. Under his leadership, the Center developed innovative model ordinances and provided policy support to state and local public health programs. Previously, he taught at Capital University Law School and directed the Ohio Tobacco Public Policy Center.

Professor Berman has also been engaged in public health policy development at the federal level. He has served as an advisor to the Food and Drug Administration’s Center for Tobacco Products and as a member of the National Institutes of Health’s Council of Public Representatives.

Before entering academia, Professor Berman was a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice’s Antitrust Division and an associate with the law firm Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP.

Leighton Ku
Professor and Director of the Center for Health Policy Research, George Washington University Milken Institute School of Public Health
As a health policy researcher, a public policy analyst, and an advocate, Dr. Ku’s career has been built around the effort to understand and improve access to affordable health care for vulnerable populations. Among his areas of expertise are Medicaid, the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), immigrant health, state health reform, and health care financing and budgets, with an emphasis on strengthening the health care safety net.

Professor Ku joined GWSPH as a full-time faculty member in 2008, but he has held adjunct positions at George Washington’s School of Public Policy and Public Administration since the early 1990s. During that time, he also served as a senior fellow at the Washington-based Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, which focuses on improving policies for low- and moderate-income Americans; as principal researcher at the Urban Institute; and as a policy and budget analyst for the federal Women, Infants and Children (WIC) nutrition program.

Donovan Maust
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
University of Michigan Medical School
Donovan T. Maust, M.D., M.S., is Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Michigan Medical School and Research Scientist with the Center for Clinical Management Research of the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System. His research, supported by a Paul B. Beeson Career Development Award in Aging, explores the role of behavioral and psychological symptoms of dementia as drivers of healthcare utilization, with the goal of identifying individuals at high risk for potentially preventable hospitalization. His other primary research and clinical interest is understanding and reducing potentially inappropriate use of psychotropic medication in older adults. Dr. Maust earned his undergraduate degree in biology and international relations from the College of William & Mary and his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University. He completed psychiatry residency and geriatric psychiatry fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania, with further training in health services research at the University of Michigan.

Shawn Ryan
President & Chief Medical Officer
BrightView
Dr. Ryan originally trained as an emergency physician at the University of Cincinnati and simultaneously obtained his MBA while completing his residency. For over 10 years, Dr. Ryan has practiced in the Greater Cincinnati area, and for part of that time, he functioned as a hospital administrator for Mercy Health (Department Chairman of Quality and Patient Safety). During that period, he became acutely aware of the issue of heroin/ opioid abuse in the region and since then has been working tirelessly to make a difference in the community.

Dr. Ryan serves on many regional, state, and national committees/workgroups focused on turning the tide of this epidemic. He is both a board certified addiction specialist and board certified emergency physician. Dr. Ryan practices in Cincinnati and is the Chief Medical Officer of a multi-site state certified alcohol and drug treatment program, BrightView Health. He is also the president of the Ohio Society of Addiction Medicine and the Chair of Payer Relations for ASAM. Dr. Ryan is very excited to continue to work in the field of addiction medicine and to have the opportunity to substantially impact the field going forward.

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