



Department of
Youth Services

Message from DYS Director Harvey Reed Employee Assistance Program

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Just as I care greatly about the youth in our care, I am also committed to the wellbeing of all employees. For this reason, I am excited to inform you of a program that supports staff wellness.

The Ohio Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a screening, information, referral and support service for state employees and their family members. EAP, which is voluntary and confidential, is designed to help employees cope with personal problems such as family and parenting issues, alcohol and other drug abuse, emotional concerns such as anxiety, anger, grief or depression, and legal and financial difficulties. As you know, personal challenges that are not addressed can affect health, wellbeing and job performance.

A representative from EAP will be present at DYS sites as described below. Information about site-specific locations will be announced by site designees. Staff are encouraged to stop by to receive information and support. Parole staff are welcome to participate at the facilities, and additional opportunities for parole staff will be announced in the future.

- Scioto JCF March 28 9 am to 4 pm
- Circleville JCF March 29 9 am to 4 pm
- Indian River JCF* April 3 9 am to 4 pm

**Parole staff who will be at Indian River JCF on April 3 for Parole Day are encouraged to participate*

- Cuyahoga Hills JCF April 4 9 am to 4 pm
- Central Office* April 11 9 am to 12 pm

**EAP at Central Office is open to staff from MIS, the Training Academy and the Columbus Regional Parole Office*

Staff and family members can also directly contact EAP toll-free at (800) 221-6EAP (6327). EAP is an employee benefit, and there is no charge to participate. I encourage you to take advantage of this confidential and professional service.

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