

There are new requirements for recovery housing operators in Ohio!

If you operate recovery housing, you must complete a form for the Recovery Housing Registry that is operated by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

"Recovery housing residence" means a residence for individuals recovering from alcohol use disorder or drug addiction that provides an alcohol-free and drug-free living environment, peer support, assistance with obtaining alcohol and drug addiction services, and other recovery assistance for alcohol use disorder and drug addiction."
(ORC 5119.01A(17)).

Forms for existing recovery homes were due November 3, 2023, **but late submissions are still being accepted.** New recovery homes have 30 days from the day the first resident moves into the home.



All recovery homes must complete the form. The home does not need to be certified in order to complete the form. You can find more information, including a link to the online form on the OhioMHAS website:

<https://apps.mha.ohio.gov/RHR/>. If you have questions about the registry, you can contact the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addition Services at RecoveryHousing@mha.ohio.gov.

Starting January 1, 2025 all recovery homes must be certified in order to remain on the registry. Only homes on the registry will be able to receive recovery housing funding, referrals from community mental and behavioral health services providers, or advertise that they are recovery housing, sober living or any other drug and alcohol-free housing for individuals with substance use disorders.

Do you need help getting ready for this new certification requirement?

You can contact Ohio Recovery Housing. Ohio Recovery Housing offers free best practice guidance, outcomes tools, and short-term technical assistance and support to recovery housing operators. Learn more at www.ohiorecoveryhousing.org.
