



2026 Ohio Council Compliance & Quality Conference - Day 2
The Ohioan – Lewis Center, Ohio
Wednesday April 15th, 2026

Description: As regulations, quality standards, and payer requirements continue to evolve, behavioral health organizations must remain proactive in their compliance and quality efforts. The Ohio Council’s two-day, in-person Compliance and Quality Conference will cover key administrative and clinical topics including audit readiness, documentation standards, confidentiality requirements, SB 138 contracting updates, cybersecurity, telehealth, AI and emerging technology, and patient experience considerations. The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers is an approved provider for Ohio Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists (Provider #RCS058802), Chemical Dependency Professionals (Provider #50-18966), and Psychologists (Provider #310951018). Day 2 of the conference provides 5 continuing education units, including 2 hours that meet ethics requirements.

Training objectives:

- Participants will be able to describe and evaluate the ethical, clinical, and compliance considerations associated with the use of artificial intelligence and emerging technologies in behavioral health practice.
- Participants will be able to identify and apply best practices for telehealth compliance and patient experience improvement, including strategies to enhance access, engagement, and quality of care in virtual and in-person settings.
- Participants will be able to explain key contracting changes under SB 138 and analyze how these changes impact provider–board relationships, network participation, and service delivery.

Day 2 Agenda

9:00 – 9:15 Opening Remarks / Introductions

9:15 – 10:15 **AI Policy Considerations for Behavioral Health Providers (1 hour of ethics)** - This session will explore key policy considerations related to the use of artificial intelligence in behavioral health settings. Participants will learn about emerging risks related to privacy, documentation, clinical decision support, and practical considerations for developing internal policies and safeguards. The discussion will help organizations evaluate appropriate AI use while considering ethical standards for responsible use.

Presenter: Edwin Wong, PhD, Co-Founder & CEO, Psyrin

10:15-11:15 **Patient Experience: Improving Access to Quality Care** - This session will explore strategies designed to improve access to behavioral health services and strengthen patient engagement. This session will highlight strategies for reducing traditional barriers to care, improving clinical

outcomes, and supporting a more sustainable workforce. It will also examine the role of measurement-based care, continuous quality improvement, and proactive payer engagement in demonstrating value, improving treatment outcomes, and aligning behavioral health services with evolving reimbursement and accountability expectations.

Presenters: Teresa Lampl, LISW-S and Soley Hernandez, LISW-S – The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers

11:15-11:30

Break

11:30-12:30

Telehealth Compliance (1 hour of ethics) - This session will review key compliance considerations for telehealth services in behavioral health. Participants will learn about documentation requirements, privacy and security obligations, and payer expectations related to virtual care. The training will also highlight common compliance risks and best practices to help organizations deliver telehealth services while maintaining regulatory compliance.

Presenter: Soley Hernandez, LISW-S – The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers

12:30-1:45

Lunch

1:45-2:45

SB 138 ADAMH Board Contracting Changes - This session will provide an overview of contracting changes related to Ohio Senate Bill 138 and the impact on behavioral health providers working with local Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Boards. Participants will learn about new requirements, implementation considerations, and how these changes may affect contracting, funding arrangements, and provider relationships at the local level. Practical guidance will help organizations prepare for and navigate the evolving contracting landscape.

Presenters: Suzanne Scrutton, Esq. and Liam Gruz, Esq., Vorys

2:45- 3:45

Board/Provider Contracting Panel - This panel will bring together leaders from behavioral health provider organizations, the Franklin County ADAMH Board, the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office, and Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP to discuss the collaborative process used in this region to develop a standardized base agreement. Panelists will share insights into the legal, operational, and partnership considerations involved in creating a more streamlined contracting approach. Attendees will gain practical perspectives on how boards and providers can work together to simplify contracting while supporting community behavioral health needs.

Presenters: Brian Stroh, MD – Netcare; Sue Villilo, LISW-S – Franklin County ADAMH Board; Jesse Armstrong – Franklin County Prosecutor's Office; Suzanne Scrutton, Esq. and Liam Gruz, Esq., - Vorys