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## **Governor DeWine Announces Registration Open For Building Resiliency: A Pediatric Mental Health Summit**

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—Ohio Governor Mike DeWine today announced that [registration](#) for Building Resiliency: A Pediatric Mental Health Summit is open at [governor.ohio.gov/summit](http://governor.ohio.gov/summit). The summit will be held on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at the Sinclair Conference Center in Dayton.

As a result of Dayton’s tornadoes in the spring and the recent tragic shooting in the Oregon District, Governor DeWine, in conjunction with the Ohio Children’s Hospital Association, will hold the summit as a way to give members of the community tools they need as they work with children dealing with trauma. The hope is that having these tools will give kids the opportunity for a healthy and bright future.

“Children in Dayton and across the State of Ohio are facing trauma every day that can cause depression, poor health, and decreased life expectancy,” said Governor DeWine. “Fortunately, there are proven ways to help children who face trauma, but we need the support of parents, coaches, and teachers to help build resiliency and reduce the negative impact of trauma in a child’s life.”

“We believe this summit allows us to bring together the best minds in our state and from across the country to leverage the important programs and processes that are already happening here in Ohio and to identify new ideas to help our children,” said Ohio Children's Hospital Association Board Chair and Dayton Children's Hospital President and CEO Debbie Feldman. “This kind of summit will allow us all to better invest some of the dollars that we have available now because of the work the Governor and our legislature did in putting kids first in Ohio.”

Building Resiliency: A Pediatric Mental Health Summit is open to adults across the state who touch the lives of children, such as parents, coaches, school personnel, counselors, and health care professionals. Attendees will learn how to spot the signs and symptoms of trauma in children and tangible strategies to address it from experts in mental health, health care, education, and other fields.