

# Ohio's Coordinating Center of Excellence Mental Illness/ Intellectual Disabilities Collaborative Teams

## Concept Overview

The Coordinating Center of Excellence (CCOE) is a grant-funded project initiated in 2004. This collaboration between Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities and Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services seeks to improve Educational Programming, Assessment/Clinical Capacity and County Team Collaboration.

## Technical Assistance

The CCOE is available to provide technical assistance to local teams at any time, including when there is a crisis. The target audience is people with co-occurring mental illness and intellectual/developmental disabilities - of any age. They are available to provide assistance to individuals/teams, whether that's a psychiatric assessment, crisis services, consultation, etc.

## Second Opinion Assessments

Second opinion psychiatric assessments are available through the CCOE to all ages in all 88 counties. These are comprehensive psychiatric assessments that can be completed either in-person or through the use of a web cam.

## Annual Awards

The Ed Comer Award for Excellence in Service to Individuals with IDD was established in 2008. The award is named for Ed Comer, who provided program administration for the Ohio CCOE from its inception until his retirement in April of 2008. In addition, the CCOE recognizes MI/ID teams annually for providing outstanding support to dually diagnosed individuals. Both awards are presented at Ohio's NADD Conference.

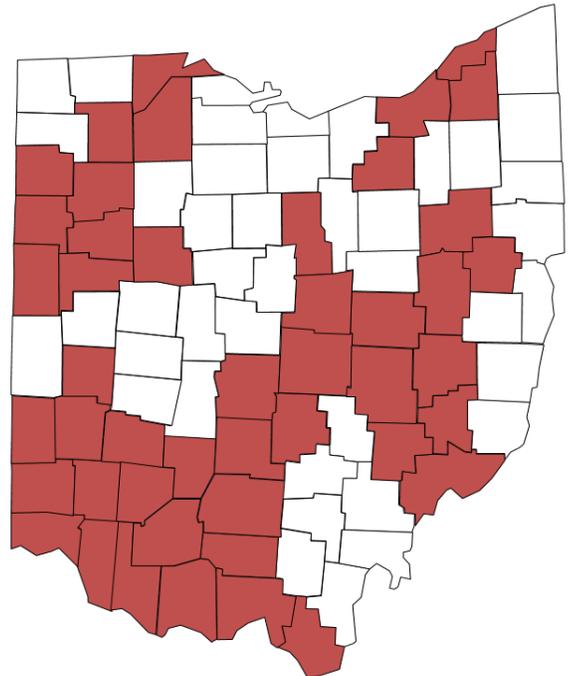
## Ohio's Telepsychiatry Project

If mental health services are not readily available in your area, consider utilizing Ohio's Telepsychiatry Project. Telepsychiatry uses communication networks for delivery of health care services and medical education from one geographical location to another.

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## MI/ID Teams Throughout Ohio



## Benefits of MI/ID teams

Despite system improvements, a persistent myth exists that patients with developmental disabilities don't benefit from mental health services, including: trauma informed care, psychotherapies and state of the art medication regimens. MI/ID teams help to bridge the gap between mental health and developmental disabilities by forming partnerships across disciplines.

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