



OhioPHP

SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM

A confidential resource for certificate holders of the Ohio Division of Emergency Medical Services.

WHAT IS A SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

A confidential path for individuals to seek help for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders or other medical conditions. A therapeutic alternative to regulatory awareness for chronic illnesses.

WHAT SERVICES ARE OFFERED THROUGH THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

- Well-being Screenings
- Referral for treatment or support
- Confidential Monitoring

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

- Emergency Medical Responder
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Paramedic
- Volunteer Firefighter
- Firefighter I & II
- Fire Safety Inspector
- Instructor

WHO ADMINISTERS THE DIVISION OF EMS SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

OhioPHP is the designated monitoring organization for the Division of EMS. OhioPHP protects the confidentiality of program participants and referral sources to the fullest extent allowed by law.

If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP.

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FAQ

How do I enroll in the safe haven program?

*If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP. OhioPHP's clinical team will conduct a well-being screen and then will provide recommendations that **may** include additional evaluation for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders, individual counseling, and/or any necessary treatment. Once a qualifying condition has been identified, certificate holder may enroll in long-term, therapeutic monitoring through the safe haven program.*

Will the Division of EMS know about my safe haven program participation?

No - OhioPHP will not disclose to the Division of EMS the name or any records associated with a certificate holder enrolled in the safe haven program, as long as they are compliant with the terms of their monitoring agreement.

Is there a cost associated with the safe haven program?

OhioPHP has a sliding-scale structure for its fees. This ensures that we can continue to provide high-quality support while accommodating the diverse needs of our community. The sliding scale is designed to make our services accessible to all, regardless of financial circumstances. For more information, visit ohiophp.org/oemsfees

Why should I contact OhioPHP?

A certificate holder must report to the Division of EMS any unprofessional, incompetent, unethical, or illegal behavior of a colleague of which the person has knowledge. If a certificate holder believes a colleague is suffering from a substance use disorder or physical or mental impairment, they may contact OhioPHP in lieu of making a report to the Division of EMS.

Ethics: OAC 4765-9-01

Professional Standards: OAC 4765-22-01

Safe haven rules: 4765-23-04 & OAC 4765-10-07

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