



COAAA Professional Education

October 14, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

\$30

Marijuana, Cannabis & CBD: Understanding Today's Landscape

The changes in the legal status of marijuana – and related products from the cannabis plant – in Ohio and nationally over the last decade have been momentous. New and revised federal and state laws, both medical and non-medical, have expanded accessibility to marijuana and other drugs, like CBD and Delta-8 THC, from the cannabis plant. This new and evolving environment can result in confusing messages about safety and health related to the use of these substances.

This training will provide a comprehensive look at Ohio's cannabis landscape in 2026 and the implications for older adult health and safety. Participants will also consider strategies to engage in conversation with their clients and consumers about the use of marijuana, CBD, and other cannabis-related products.

Presenter:

Jim Ryan, OCPC, ICPS is an Ohio Certified Prevention Consultant and Internationally Certified Prevention Specialist with over 40 years of experience in behavioral health and social services. Jim provide straining and consultation services on local, state, national, and international levels, training professionals within provider agencies, government entities, education systems, and community based organizations on substance use, mental health, and cultural responsivity – Including working with LGBTQIA+ and Appalachian clients and consumers – content. Jim's mission is to support professionals to provide the best possible services to the populations they serve.

Jim has provided training and consultation services to a range of organizations and systems, including Franklin County Children Services, Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging, the Ohio Department of Behavioral Health, The Ohio State University College of Social Work, National Alliance on Mental Health Ohio, Prevention Action Alliance, Marshall University, MADD, and Applied Prevention Science International.

Objectives:

Upon the completion of this workshop participants will:

- Understand the legal status of cannabis products, including marijuana and CBD
- Address the health and safety implications of medical and non-medical use of cannabis products
- Discuss health and safety issues related to medical and non-medical cannabis use with older adult clients and consumers

Continuing Education Units 3.0 Social Work Clock Hours (#RSX059002) **3.0** Counselor Clock Hour (#RCX109207)
Family Therapist (#RTX072507)

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Registration Form

Deadline: Oct 7

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please email registration form to training@coaaa.org

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

Special accommodations needed due to disability:

Phone (_____) _____

Email: _____

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Social Worker

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Nurse

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Other

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Questions? Call (614) 645-7250 or 1-800-589-7277. COAAA cannot accept registrations over the phone.

****If no confirmation received within 5 business days, please contact the office****



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