



# Young Prevention Professionals Project

*Application deadline: Thursday, March 17, 2022*

The OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project (YP<sup>3</sup>) is an initiative providing networking, support, and collaborative project opportunities for OPPA members between 18 and 35 years of age. YP<sup>3</sup> debuted in 2017, and two cohorts of prevention professionals have participated in the initiative, growing peer relationships, increasing professional development, and creating tools that have benefited Ohio's prevention community, including the Ohio Prevention Professionals Facebook group. OPPA will select up to 20 OPPA members for participation in this third cohort of YP<sup>3</sup>.

## The Project

The OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project participants will engage in 16 months of training, networking, and individual- and group-determined projects with core elements of supporting and enhancing Ohio's prevention community.

The OPPA YP<sup>3</sup> team will meet bi-monthly, with a focus on three core components:

- **Education:** YP<sup>3</sup> members identify education and other professional development needs that are then implemented by select OPPA staff and members.
- **Service:** YP<sup>3</sup> members develop and lead one or more service projects to support Ohio's prevention community.\*
- **Networking:** Through the self-directed YP<sup>3</sup> process, YP<sup>3</sup> members develop relationships with their fellow YP<sup>3</sup> members, all young prevention professionals.

*\*Service work typically involves some committee meetings and/or independent work outside of full YP<sup>3</sup> meetings.*

The first meeting of YP<sup>3</sup> will take place April 20, 9:00 – 11:00am. The YP<sup>3</sup> team will then determine their meeting schedule. Meetings will be held virtually through at least August 2022; either virtually or in person after that date.

## Project Cost

The participant fee for the OPPA YP<sup>3</sup> is \$50.00. (Candidates should not pay with application; selected candidates will be billed upon acceptance.)



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## Candidate Eligibility

To be considered as a candidate for participation in the OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project, the applicant must:

- Be a 2022 member of OPPA.
- Confirm employer support for participation in YP<sup>3</sup>.
- Commit to participate in at least 75 percent of YP<sup>3</sup> meetings.

## Participant Fee

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## Continuing Education Credit

OPPA will apply for prevention CEUs from the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board for relevant YP<sup>3</sup> educational program components.

## Application Process

Participants in the OPPA YP<sup>3</sup> will be selected by OPPA through an application process. Interested candidates should submit the **Project Application** and **Candidate Information** (see below) to OPPA by 5:00pm on Thursday, March 17, 2022. Applicants will be notified of selection by Thursday, March 24, 2022.

## Candidate Information

Please attach responses to the following on a separate page and include with your application. Please limit your responses to no more than a total of two pages for the items listed below. (You may also submit your résumé in addition to, but not in place of, your responses.)

1. Describe what you see as two to three professional development needs for young prevention professionals.
2. Describe your career goal(s).
3. Describe why you want to be part of the OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project.
4. Describe the skills or attributes you would bring to the OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project.



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## Project Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Home (circle one): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I have the following credentials/licenses (check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_\_ OCPC                      \_\_\_\_\_ OCPS                      \_\_\_\_\_ OCPSA                      \_\_\_\_\_ LSW/LISW  
\_\_\_\_\_ CHES                      \_\_\_\_\_ LPCC                      \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Participants may need to use work time to participate in the OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project. With my signature below, I verify that my employer supports my application to YP<sup>3</sup> and is aware of the time commitment required.

I also agree to adhere to these requirements of the OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project, if selected:

1. Attend YP<sup>3</sup> meetings.
2. Participate in YP<sup>3</sup> conference calls, e-mail, and other communications.
3. Participate in YP<sup>3</sup> activities and commitments.
4. Work collaboratively with my YP<sup>3</sup> peers.
5. Participate in evaluation of YP<sup>3</sup> throughout and after cohort completion.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Submit this application and the **Candidate Information** by 5:00pm on March 17, 2022.  
Candidates will be notified by March 24, 2022.*