



Young Prevention Professionals Project

Application deadline: Tuesday, August 30, 2022

The OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project (YP³) is an initiative providing networking, support, and collaborative project opportunities for OPPA members between 18 and 35 years of age. YP³ debuted in 2017, and a new, third cohort of prevention professionals is currently participating 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. The new cohort is expanding, and OPPA will accept up to 15 OPPA members as part of the expansion.

The Project

The OPPA Young Prevention Professionals Project participants will engage in 12 months of training, networking, and individual- and group-determined projects with core elements of supporting and enhancing Ohio's prevention community.

The OPPA YP³ team focuses on three core components:

- **Education:** YP³ members identify education and other professional development needs that are then implemented by select OPPA staff and members.
- **Service:** YP³ members develop and lead one or more service projects to support Ohio's prevention community.*
- **Networking:** Through the self-directed YP³ process, YP³ members develop relationships with their fellow YP³ members, all young prevention professionals.

**Service work typically involves some committee meetings and/or independent work outside of full YP³ meetings.*

The YP³ team determines its own schedule, including whether meetings take place virtually or in person. Generally speaking, the team meets monthly.

Project Cost

The participant fee for the OPPA YP³ 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 YP³.
- Commit to participate in at least 75 percent of YP³ 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 YP³ educational program components.

Application Process

Participants in the OPPA YP³ 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 Tuesday, August 30, 2022. Applicants will be notified of selection by Friday, September 2, 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 YP³ 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 YP³ meetings.
2. Participate in YP³ conference calls, e-mail, and other communications.
3. Participate in YP³ activities and commitments.
4. Work collaboratively with my YP³ peers.
5. Participate in evaluation of YP³ throughout and after cohort completion.

Signature

Date

*Submit this application and the **Candidate Information** by 5:00pm on August 30, 2022 to ohiopreventionprofessionals.org. Candidates will be notified by September 2, 2022.*