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Due To ONCAC's Advocacy Efforts, CAC's Are *Now Included* In The Ohio Department of Behavioral Health's Scholarship & Internship Program.

ONCAC is excited to announce that due to recent advocacy efforts, for the first time ever, CAC's are ***now included*** in the Ohio Department of Behavior Health (DBH) Scholarship & Internship Program.

The program provides \$18 million in scholarships to support graduate students who are pursuing behavioral health degrees at Ohio colleges and universities.

Students are able to receive \$15,000 per year, for up to two years. Additionally, participating colleges and universities will provide matching aid to ensure tuition and general fees are covered.

In exchange for the scholarship, recipients commit to working after graduation for a qualifying behavioral health provider, which now includes CAC's, serving underserved communities in Ohio.

To learn more about the program and see the full list of participating colleges and universities, click the link below.

It is important to note that there is a typo in paragraph two of the "Program Benefits to Students" section. Students **do not** need to be enrolled in an approved graduate or professional program by fall 2026, in fields such as counseling, marriage and family therapy, clinical psychology, counseling psychology, certified mental health assisting, or social work. The scholarship funds are available **starting with the Fall 2026 semester**.

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