The first step to getting somewhere is to decide that you are not going to stay where you are. ~Unknown~

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Our Team

OhioSTART Caseworker (330)389-7512

OhioSTART Supervisor (330)931-8043

Coleman Professional Services (330)673-1347



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Child Support 449 S. Meridian Street Ravenna, Ohio 44266 (330)297-3791

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Portage County Job and Family Services (PCJFS) is partnering with Coleman Professional Services to provide wrap around treatment services for and to families affected by child maltreatment and parental substance use disorder through the Ohio Sobriety Treatment and Reducing Trauma program (OhioSTART).

OhioSTART Overview:

- Help parents achieve recovery and keep children in the home with family when possible
- Improve parent's abilities to care for their children
- Provide timely access to treatment
- Focus on individual and family needs including the parent/child relationship



OHIO START GOALS

- Keep children safe with their parents if possible, or reunify families
- Improve parents ability to care for their children who are affected by substance abuse
- Increase parent involvement in treatment, community recovery supports and long-term well-being
- Enhance child developmental and emotional well-being
- Enhance coordination of resources
- Reduce the number of repeat referrals to Children Services
- Building support network

COLEMAN Professional Services

Coleman Professional Services provides a wide array of services that treat the WHOLE person.

Participating Ohio START families will receive:

- Immediate access to screening and assessment
- Early notification of assessment results and quick access and referrals to services
- Family peer mentor that brings real life experiences
- Parenting supports that include assistance with meeting housing, transportation, childcare and in-home needs
- Child-focused services that promote attachment, reduce the effects of trauma, and provide developmental supports

