

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE FUNDING AVAILABLE TO MHA AFFILIATES

MHA has a limited amount of funding available for affiliates to attend the <u>Pre-Conference Day for Affiliates</u>, June 7, 2016, and the <u>MHA Annual Conference</u>, June 8-10, 2016 at the <u>Hilton Alexandria Mark Center</u> in Alexandria, Va.

Affiliates can apply for **ONE \$400 travel stipend** to help reduce out-of-pocket expenses, or opt for **TWO complimentary registrations** to attend the full Pre-Conference Day for Affiliates <u>and</u> the full or partial MHA Annual Conference.

The funding is made possible by ODH, a behavioral health and technology company, in partnership with IBM. ODH will host a session on **"Behavioral Population Health: Breakthrough Analytics for Integrating Care and Improving Outcomes," June 7, from 3-5 pm. Award recipients must attend this session to qualify for funding.** The <u>Mentrics</u> product that utilizes proprietary algorithms, risk stratification, and analysis to enable improvements in network performance improving care coordination, will be featured and could become a future funding source for affiliates.

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Recipient must be a representative of an MHA Affiliate;
- Recipient's affiliate must be in **good standing with MHA National**. For this session, this is defined as having no outstanding or unresolved debts due to MHA National, current on reaffiliation or approved extension, not being in violation of the MHA bylaws and the Affiliation Agreement;
- Recipient must attend the full Pre-Conference Day for Affiliates, and the full or partial MHA Annual Conference. Attendance is MANDATORY for the "Behavioral Population Health: Breakthrough Analytics for Integrating Care and Improving Outcomes," session;
- Recipient must show **proof of attendance**. MHA National will provide an attendance form for documentation, at the conclusion of the "Behavioral Population Health: Breakthrough Analytics for Integrating Care and Improving Outcomes" session; and
- Recipient must write a **brief summary** of what you think you will gain from the "Behavioral Population Health: Breakthrough Analytics for Integrating Care and Improving Outcomes" session and how you think the session will benefit your affiliate.

## **Submission Guidelines:**

• The required <u>online application</u> must be completed in its entirety. Affiliate must register at least one person for the conference, either at the time of application or before applying.

Award funding is made available on a first come, first served basis. If you have registered for the MHA Annual Conference and your affiliate is selected, you can choose to receive the \$400 stipend and MHA will refund your registration fee, or you can offer the two registrations to other representatives from your affiliate.

If you are not sure who to bring from your affiliate to attend the "Behavioral Population Health: Breakthrough Analytics for Integrating Care and Improving Outcomes," session, we recommend advocates, policy makers, payers and providers of care, practitioners, plan administrators, or primary consumers who have an interest in, and involvement with, care coordination.

For questions, contact Valerie Sterns, Senior Director of Affiliate Services at (703) 797-2594 or email <u>vsterns@mentalhealthamerica.net</u>.