CONTINUING EDUCATION ROUNDUP

For Ohio Library Staff

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Some links and articles to remember:

The **State Library of Ohio's COVID Information and Resources**
This includes links to government resources, library webinars and articles from a variety of professional organizations, and resources helpful to all Ohioans.

Check out issues #1 and #2 of the *Continuing Education Roundup* library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/training-and-professional-development/ce-roundup-ohio-library-staff/. Thanks for reading!

Ryan Dowd's Homelessness Training has a new look! The core training and archived webinars are now separate modules. Visit the information page to learn more and click the link to create an account to access the training.

Librarian Volunteers help WHO make sense of COVID Information
Great article in *Library Journal* published May 11, 2020.

Submit your online programs to the State Library's **Online Programs from Ohio's Public Libraries**. Be sure to share your library's innovative and creative online programs so anyone in Ohio can watch and learn!

Introduction

I hope you are all staying safe and healthy during this time and as libraries start different phases of reopening.

Libraries all over Ohio are opening in various ways but it may be a while before doors can be open and the full breadth of services offered to our communities. Virtual reference is a way to stay connected with patrons who need help navigating this new world or have the same reference questions they would have asked at the desk.

Email me at ekelsey@library.ohio.gov if you have ideas, articles, or topics for future Continuing Education Roundup issues.

Stay safe and stay well,
Erin Kelsey

Relevant webinars and articles with new information and ideas about virtual reference:

Libraries Prepare to Answer Civil Legal Questions—WebJunction webinar scheduled for June 11.

Rural Libraries Connect Communities to Legal Aid—Recorded webinar from WebJunction.

Ramping Up Remote Reference During COVID-19 Campus Shutdowns-—Article from *Library Journal* published April 1, 2020. Great tips for academic and public libraries about providing virtual reference.

Public Libraries Respond to COVID-19: Strategies for Advancing Digital Equity Now—Free, on-demand webinar by ALA. The final webinar in a series (six topics)