What you NEED to know about OUR heroin epidemic!

The abuse of opiates, including certain prescription drugs and heroin, has reached epidemic proportions throughout Ohio. This significant public health problem has resulted in a dramatic rise in accidental deaths and immeasurable heartache.

According to the Ohio Attorney General:

→ Drug overdoses kill an average of 5 Ohioans every day. In 2013, 60 Summit County families lost a loved one to an accidental overdose.
→ Since 2007, fatal drug overdoses have been the leading cause of accidental death throughout the State of Ohio.
→ 1 in 5 Ohio high school students reported using a prescription drug without a doctor’s prescription one or more times during their life. 8 out of 10 teens who misuse prescription drugs get the drugs from friends or relatives.

Objectives:

• Understand the scope of problem
• Learn how to recognize and respond
• Identify community resources & supports for those affected and family members
• Learn about innovative programs
• Find out what YOU can do to help

3.25 CEUs available for Counselors and Social Workers, and
3.25 RCHs available for Chemical Dependency Counselors

Keynote Speaker
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Dr. Delos Reyes is board certified in both adult psychiatry and addiction psychiatry and is a diplomate of the American Board of Addiction Medicine. She is an associate professor at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, where she teaches medical students and psychiatry residents. She is also director of the Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship at University Hospitals Case Medical Center in Cleveland.

Presenters will include representatives from healthcare, law enforcement, service providers, as well as those with lived experiences.

Sponsored by the Summit County Opiate Task Force, whose mission is to reduce the tragic consequences of opiate abuse in Summit County through education, collaboration, and wise use of available resources.

Thursday
October 30, 2014
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
8:00 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast; 8:30 a.m. Program begins
Raymond C. Firestone Auditorium, Summa Akron City Hospital
55 Arch Street, Akron, OH 44304

There is no charge for the Workshop, but space is limited; pre-registration required.
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