

Where There's Life, There's Hope: Diminishing Risk in the Midst of the Opioid Epidemic

with Van Asher and Sharon Stancliff, MD



We are currently facing a national and statewide opioid crisis which demands enhanced treatment services, recovery supports, and prevention initiatives. Despite increased availability of these systems and interventions, there are still many individuals affected for whom traditional services have not worked and harm reduction becomes an alternative. The statewide conference will bring together experts in the field of addiction and substance use to discuss approaches to reduce risk for those who struggle with an opioid use disorder. Keynote speakers Van Asher and Sharon Stancliff, MD, will challenge the definition of recovery and present innovative ways to address the opioid crisis. Breakout session presenters will pay particular attention to the roles of community organizing, clinical work, first responders, prevention, and adolescent substance use.

SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2019 | 9:00AM - 4:30PM

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Workshop Topics

- *Community Organizing*
- *Clinical Considerations*
 - *First-Responders*
- *Prevention Approaches*
 - *Adolescents*

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Breakfast &
lunch provided

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Conference participants will:

- be able to re-evaluate their definitions of recovery
- understand the need to implement harm reduction into traditional treatment modalities
- become willing to look for new solutions to re-examine what no longer works in this new era of overdoses
 - learn best practices in prescribing methadone, buprenorphine and naltrexone
 - incorporate person centered terms into language describing people who use drugs
- use phrasing to discuss syringe access and overdose prevention in the context of drug treatment
 - learn ways to help families struggling with the impact of opioid addiction



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CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Workshop Title		Lead Presenter
AM Plenary	Harm Reduction: It's Not Just the Drugs	Van Asher
PM Plenary	Applying Harm Reduction Across Services	Sharon Stancliff, MD
Community Organizing 1	Developing & Managing a User's Union or Advocacy Group	Beatrice Codianni Shawn M. Lang Jess Tilley
Community Organizing 2	Community Public Health Initiatives	Marianne Buchelli, MPH, MBA, CHES Mark Jenkins Joanne Montgomery
Clinical 1	Leveraging the Emergency Department for Harm Reduction & Treatment Initiation of Opioid Use Disorder	Kathryn Hawk, MD, MHS
Clinical 2	MAT for High-Risk Populations	Charles Atkins, MD
First Responders 1	EMS Opioid Overdose Reporting Project	Peter Canning, RN Suzanne Doyon, MD, MPH
First Responders 2	How One Community is Putting Harm Reduction Front & Center	Jennifer Muggeo, MPH
Prevention 1	Harm Reduction in Media & Technology	Van Asher O'Donnell Group
Prevention 2	All About Narcan	Jennifer Dewitt Allison Fulton Pam Mautte, MS, CPP-R, MCHES
Adolescents 1	The Invitation to Change Approach: combining CRAFT, MI, and ACT to help families struggling with substances	CMC Foundation for Change
Adolescents 2	<i>Dying in Vein</i> Documentary & Discussion	Gabriela Krainer, LCSW, LADC Hector Maldonado

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