In Connecticut during 2017, 1038 people died from drug overdoses. This happened in spite of the attention and enormous efforts of so many. There is not a town in our state that has not been touched by this epidemic. The stories that accompany these deaths are devastating for family members and loved ones. More people are suffering from opioid use disorders and poly substance abuse every year. In our communities, we have all felt the loss and pain that goes along with this public health crisis. How do we leverage the power of our individual actions to stop this epidemic? Providing people with the resources and skills they need to address this problem includes raising awareness of successful strategies. We all need to learn more about what is making a difference. This conference was designed to help us become better informed about best practices, evidence-based models and innovative changes that are happening in our region, in CT, and across the US.

We appreciate the opportunity to highlight the work of Healthcare and Treatment providers, Legislators, the Recovery Community, Law Enforcement, Prevention Professionals, and the local grassroots coalitions that are working together, right here, right now.

Allison Fulton, HVCASA
Sharon Guck, CHOICES

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Social Workers | Prescribers | Recovery Community | Law Enforcement |
Policy makers | Coalition Members | Treatment Providers | Pharmacists |
Prevention Professionals | Local Officials | Family Members

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
ANDREW KOLODNY, M.D.,

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
- Evaluate factors leading to the epidemic
- Analyze trends in mortality
- Examine prescribing practices
- Evaluate evidence-based treatment

TRAINING
I. MAT (Medication Assisted Treatment) and SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral, Treatment):
- Dr. Peter Rostenberg
- John Hamilton, Director of Clinical Outreach, Mountainside
- Stacey Benson, CT Counseling
- Dr. Katherine T. Michael, WCHN

II. Strides in Alternative Therapies:
- Dr. Roseanne Capanna-Hodge

III. Innovations in Recovery:
- Jennifer Chadukiewicz CCAR
- Allan Griffin, AWARE Recovery
- Kevin McVeigh, WCHN, CCT
- Mario Diurno, Facing Addiction, Ambrosia

IV. Trends in Law Enforcement:
- Det. Michael Mudry, CT State Police
- Robert Lawlor, HIDTA
- Lt. Mark Williams, Danbury Police Dept., Drug Unit

AGENDA
8:30 - Check-in
9:15 - Introductions and CT Legislators’ Comments
9:45 - Opening Remarks
10:15 - Break
10:30 - Workshops
12:00 - Lunch
12:30 - Keynote
2:00 - Optional Narcan Training

Continental Breakfast & Lunch Provided!

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