



Benzodiazepines

The Opium of the Masses

LOCATION:

Edmond Town Hall Theater
45 Main Street
Newtown, CT 06470

COST:

Free to healthcare professionals
and other concerned community
groups

CEUs:

No charge
CCB
CT – NASW
(LMSW, LCSW, LMFT)

REGISTRATION:

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9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Are we ignoring an escalating benzodiazepine epidemic among adolescents and young adults? Deaths from benzodiazepine overdose have grown at a faster rate than deaths by opiate overdose for the past 13 years.

Guest Speakers:

J. Craig Allen, MD, Medical Director, Rushford

John Hamilton, LMFT, LADC, CAC-E, CEO, Recovery Network of Programs

The workshop will focus on ways to reduce illegitimate access to prescription medications by adolescents and young adults, while maintaining appropriate use. Learn:

- The signs and symptoms of overdose
- The potential adverse consequences of prescription drug use by persons for whom they are not prescribed
- Why benzodiazepines are so widely abused
- How to safeguard medications and safely dispose of medications
- Ways to help ensure that excess medications are not prescribed
- The difference between benzodiazepines and opioids
- Treatment and recovery options for those with an opioid disorder

