

Presbytery of West Virginia's Leadership Development Coordinating Team Presents:

Addiction and Recovery 101

Increase your understanding of addiction and become a better resource to those seeking addiction recovery support.



with

Sky Kershner

Friday, March 15, 2019

9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

at the Presbytery Office, South Charleston



Course Description: Addiction is a scary, hopeless and isolating struggle. Research shows that for every one person with a substance use disorder, four loved ones are negatively impacted. That means that throughout our beautiful state, many, many people are suffering. Desperate and exhausted, addicted people and their families often turn to church leaders and Christian educators for guidance and support. When this happens, our church communities are often unprepared and unaware of how they can help. What do you do if:

- someone in your congregation approaches you with questions?
- How can you handle their concerns with compassion and empathy?
- How does addiction affect a person's behavior?
- What resources are available for addicted people and their families?
- What is the church's role in recovery?



This class will cover the following topics: Understanding addictions; Addiction in WV; Process of recovery; Evidenced-based models of help; Harm reduction; Drug Court; How churches can help

Sky Kershner is the Executive Director of the Kanawha Pastoral Counseling Center in Charleston, West Virginia.

Registration deadline: Monday, March 4, 2019. Cost: **\$60**, due with registration.

To register, please complete the information below and return it to:

Presbytery of WV, attn: Susan Sharp Campbell, 520 Second Ave., South Charleston, WV, 25303.

Questions? Contact Susan at susan_sharp_campbell@hotmail.com or 304-645-4568.

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