



**Churches Care:
Accompanying persons with
Mental Illnesses and Addictions**

This three-pronged program for church leaders (pastors, parish nurses, nurses, or other lay persons) will strengthen churches and communities in their support of people in their congregation who have mental illnesses and addictions.

Participating churches receive:

- **Two Saturday workshops**
 - Increase your knowledge and skills in responding to mental illnesses and addictions.
 - Reduce stigma and strengthen the ability of your church to support people who are experiencing mental illnesses and addictions.
 - Provide appropriate referrals and partner with community services.

- **18 months of professional clinical mental health and addictions guidance** to help church leaders address individual needs that arise in their churches.
- **Educational resources** for congregational education and ongoing online network connection with churches in the program.

Broader than 'Mental Health First Aid,' the Churches Care program will help you and your church accompany individuals and families with knowledge, understanding, reduced stigma, and hands-on strategies to promote improved long-term health and sobriety.

CHAMBERSBURG:

LOCATION: **Menno Haven**, 2011 Scotland Ave, Mechanicsburg, PA 17202

DATES: September 11 and 18

TIME: 9 AM - 5 PM

COST: \$120.00 per person

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LANCASTER:

LOCATION: **EMU at Lancaster**

DATES: November 20 & December 4

TIME: 9 AM - 5 PM

COST: \$120.00 per person

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Details:

- 2 Saturday training dates
 - 15 contact hours (7.5/day)
 - continental breakfast, snacks and lunch both days
 - 1 1/2 years (18 months) of on-call professional clinical mental health and addictions guidance to help church leaders address individual needs that arise in their churches printed resources for congregational education
 - Masks required and social distancing will be observed.
- Contact Hours: Available for registered nurses, and CEUs for pastors. EMU is an approved provider by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for non-credit continuing education for registered nurses. Wellspan Philhaven is an approved provider of contact hours for social workers.

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