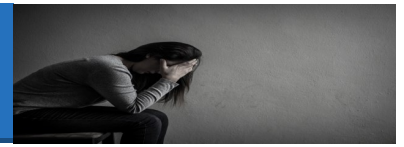


Women and Addiction



DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this workshop is to increase knowledge about women and the influence that a substance use disorder will have on their lives. Women who have a substance use disorder are likely to be impacted in ways that are different than men. In particular, the intersection of gender, race and class creates obstacles and challenges for women in the areas of treatment and recovery. These obstacles will be explored and recommendations for successful approaches will be identified.

OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this program, the participant should be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of unique issues and challenges impacting women with a substance use disorder.
2. Identify the biological issues that lead to negative outcomes, both physically and socially, for addicted women.
3. Explain how the ways in which the social environment and gender in particular, impact women differently in identification, treatment and ongoing support for recovery.
4. Identify and differentiate strategies that are empirically supported in treating women with a substance use disorder.
5. Demonstrate self-awareness about personal attitudes and feelings toward women who have a substance use disorder.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Counselors & Therapists, Nurses, Social Workers, and any other interested healthcare professionals

FEE

Free to all Participants

CREDIT

AHEC: This program is approved for 0.225 CEU's (2.25 clock hours) by Pee Dee AHEC and meets SC AHEC Best Practice standards. Participants must attend 90% of the program and complete an evaluation in order to receive a certificate of attendance. No partial credit will be given.

Counselors and Therapists: This program is approved for 2.25 hours of continuing education credit. The South Carolina AHEC system is recognized as a permanent sponsor of continuing education by the South Carolina Board of Examiners of Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Psycho-Educational Specialists. {Provider number is #65}

Nursing: Pee Dee Area Health Education Center is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the South Carolina Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

This nursing continuing education awards 2.25 contact hours upon successful completion. CE approval refers only to CE activities and does not imply SCNA or Pee Dee AHEC endorsement of any commercial product.

Social Workers: Pee Dee AHEC, as part of the SC AHEC System, is an approved provider of CE for social workers. This social work program is approved for 2.25 hours of social work credit hours.

INSTRUCTOR

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Dr. Brown is a licensed clinical social worker and was a Distinguished Faculty Emerita from the University of South Carolina's College of Social Work. She was the leader in the development of the Graduate Certificate in Military Mental Health in the College of Social Work. She has a long history in practice within the field of substance use disorders. She has done extensive training throughout the state on issues impacting Military and Veteran personal and their families, as well as trainings on advanced clinical practice in the area of Substance Use Disorders. Dr. Brown currently provides supervision to LMSW's who seek advanced clinical licensure.

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