

# Pain Management and Addiction

## DESCRIPTION:

This training will help to explain the complexities of pain and pain management. Emphasis will be put on types of meds and procedures used in pain reduction, the effects of these meds, understanding the “perception of pain” pain and pain medication myths, doctor issues, undertreatment vs proper treatment of pain. Emphasis will be on the risks and benefits of using opioids to treat different types of pain and physical dependence vs addiction.

## OBJECTIVES:

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

1. Discuss the complexities of pain and pain management.
2. Change some pain myths.
3. Detail the consequences of inadequate pain relief vs beneficial pain relief.
4. Differentiate the difference between physical dependence and addiction
5. Explain the risks and benefits of using opioids for pain relief.

## CREDIT

### INSTRUCTOR

**William “ Billy” Heckle RPh, LAC, AADC, NCAC**

Billy is a Registered Pharmacist, Licensed Addiction Counselor and an Advanced Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor with expertise in researching, analyzing and presenting to various audiences. With over 30 years of experience, he is versed in developing psychopharmacology training programs focusing on alcohol/drug issues, co-occurring substance use and behavioral health concerns. Billy provides direct individual, group and family addiction counseling

**AHEC:** This program is approved for 0.5 CEU's (5.0 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 5.0 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}

**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 5.0 hours of non-social work credit hours.

**Thursday,  
June 26, 2025**

9:00 am - 3:15pm

**101 S. Ravenel St  
Florence, SC 29501  
Suite 350**

**To Register, scan the QR Code  
below or use the following link:**

[https://www.scahec.net/learn/  
programs/4195](https://www.scahec.net/learn/programs/4195)



## TARGET AUDIENCE

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

## FEE

Consortium Member: \$50  
Non-consortium Member: \$100  
**Deadline to register: 6/25/2025**



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