



What's New in the World of Drugs

Thursday, August 20, 2026
9:00am - 3:30pm

McLeod Medical Plaza
1st Floor Small Conference
800 E. Cheves St. Florence, SC 29506



DESCRIPTION

This training will cover the different categories of drugs of abuse and how "new" drugs are becoming available in the street and what is causing these "new drugs" to become popular. Other factors that are involved in this process include "Cutting agents", how the drugs are used and consumed and common OTC products that are used for intoxication.

OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this program, I am able to:

- Identify the effects of newer drugs as they become available to the public.
- Compare the differences between addiction, physical dependence and pseudo-addiction.
- Identify how seemingly minor changes in a drug can produce dramatic effects.

CREDITS

Counselor/Therapist: This program is approved for 6.0 hours of continuing education by Pee Dee AHEC, a division of SC AHEC, under its accreditation by the South Carolina Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Psycho-Educational Specialists.

Social Worker: This program is approved for 6.0 non-social work hours of continuing education by Pee Dee AHEC, a part of the South Carolina AHEC system, as defined by the South Carolina Board of Social Work Examiners.

AHEC: This program provides 0.6 CEUs by Pee Dee AHEC and meets South Carolina AHEC Best Practice Standards.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Counselors/Therapists, Social Workers, and any other healthcare professional

FEES

Consortium Member: \$50
Non-consortium member: \$95
Deadline to register: 8/19/26

INSTRUCTOR

William "Billy" Heckle, R. PH.
Mr. Heckle holds a Pharmacy degree from the University of S. Carolina and a 30 year career in Pharmacy. He continues to work part time as a pharmacist. In addition, he has 20 years of experience as an addictions counselor at the W.J. McCord Adolescent Treatment Facility in Orangeburg, SC Mr Heckle frequently provides training state-wide on the pharmacological aspects of common drugs of abuse and is well attended from Medical, Law Enforcement, and Counseling fields.



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