## FEARS

Am I drinking too much? Am I using drugs too much? Am I misusing my medications? Are my kids being affected? Will DCF get involved?

## WORRIES

How can I pay my bills?

Will I ever feel better?

How can I feel safe?

Can anyone really help me?

## HOPE

#### Yes, support is available!

You and your family deserve a better life.

#### Help is on the way – call us!

#### HELP LINES

Substance Abuse Helpline: 800-327-5050, www.helpline-online.com Mercy Medical Center SBIRT (Springfield): 413-748-6845 Community Services Info Line: 211 or www.mass211.org BHN Crisis Services: 413-733-6661 Safe Link Domestic Violence Hotline: 877-785-2020 DCF Child Risk Hotline: 800-792-5200 MA Dept. of Transitional Assistance: 800-249-2007 Central Intake & Care Coordination for Youth: 617-661-3991

#### DRUG/ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAMS

BHN Central Intake (Springfield): 413-733-1423 BHN Mount Tom City Clinic (Holyoke): 413-532-0389 Providence Behavioral Health Hospital (Holyoke): 413-539-2981 Gandara Center (Springfield): 413-732-2120 Phoenix Outpatient Program (Springfield): 413-739-2440 Carson Center (Westfield): 413-568-6141 Center for Human Development (Springfield): 413-737-1426 AdCare Outpatient (West Springfield): 413-209-3124 Holyoke Medical Center: 413-534-2627 Griswold Center (Palmer): 413-283-1178 Habit OPCO (Springfield): 413-733-3488 Medication Assisted Treatment providers: www.turntohelp.org

#### DETOX PROGRAMS

Carlson Recovery Detox (Springfield): 413-733-1423 Providence Behavioral Health Hospital (Holyoke): 413-539-2981 AdCare Hospital (Worcester): 1-800-ALCOHOL Berkshire Medical Center Detox (Pittsfield): 413-442-1400 Motivating Youth Recovery (Worcester): 508-860-1244

#### PEER SUPPORT

Parents Anonymous: 800-882-1260 Parents Helping Parents: 800-632-8188 Alcoholics Anonymous: 413-532-2111 Narcotics Anonymous: 800-481-6871 Methadone Anonymous: www.methadonesupport.org FRESH Start (Holyoke; for pregnant & new moms): 413-535-1000

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

MassHealth: 800-841-2900 After Incarceration Support Services: 413-781-2050 Square One: 413-732-5183 Mass Rehab: 413-536-8200 Family Ties: 1-800-905-TIES (8437 New North Citizens Council: 413-746-4885



Family Recovery Council of Hampden County www.familyrecoverycouncil.org

# For Parents and Legal Guardians



If you are struggling with drug or alcohol use...

### THERE IS HOPE

Family Recovery Council of Hampden County Step #1: Figure out if you have a problem with drugs or alcohol.



- Are you using drugs, alcohol, or prescription medications?
- Is your use affecting your family?
- Is it keeping you from being the parent you want to be?

People often feel afraid or ashamed to admit they may have a problem. But admitting you need help can change your life – and help keep your family together in a safe home.

Take the first step. Family recovery is possible!

#### Self Quiz: The 5 P's

- Did any of your **<u>p</u>arents** have a drug or alcohol problem?
- Does your **<u>partner</u>** have a drug or alcohol problem?
- Do any friends/<u>peers</u> have a drug or alcohol problem?
- In the <u>past</u>, did you have a drug or alcohol problem (including prescription medications)?
- Are you presently using drugs or alcohol?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, consider talking with a professional.

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## Step #2: Get the help you need.

There is always hope. Recovery from drug and alcohol abuse is a hard road, but worth every step.

**Treatment is key to recovery**. It offers you a safe place to share your life story, and to get the help you need to be healthy.

Help can come from many places: alcohol and drug treatment programs, AA and NA meetings, early intervention services, DCF, and more (see back of this brochure).

Getting help can connect you with other services you may need, such as:

Parenting Classes GED Classes Job Training Housing Family Counseling Life Skills Training Child Care & Early Education

#### Make the decision today to live a better life.



## Step #3: Tell your treatment provider if DCF is involved.



- Are you already involved with DCF?
- Are you worried about losing custody of your children?

Talk honestly with your DCF worker and treatment provider. They both need to know what's really going on in order to provide the best support for you and your family.

Let your treatment provider know if you have children living in foster care or with another relative. Keep your eyes on the prize: your children. If you want to keep your family together, there is hope.



Call any of the programs listed on the back of this brochure.