# Perils of Drug Abuse-Walk With Me

# **Course Syllabus**

#### Instructor: Mitchel J. Brown

### **Course Length: 4 hours**

#### Course Year: 2014

#### A. Description

This course is designed as a segment of a drug recovery program for person(s) with a drug abuse issue who are in custody and must attend. Learners will acquire knowledge as to the dangers of drug abuse and protective factors for themselves, children, family and community.

#### B. Organization

This is a structured course in which the instructor acts as a facilitator for group discussions with the learners utilizing their expertise. Learners are administered a pre-test to evaluate their current knowledge level for making decisions/choices about the dangers of drug abuse. A post- test will be administered to measure their (1) improved knowledge level and (2) will it be used in the future for decision making for them or passed on to others.

#### C. Learning Objectives

- 1. Learners will list 5 negative outcomes as a result of personal drug usage.
- 2. Learners will list and/or describe 7 risk factors for children living in a drug environment.
- 3. Learners will identify 3 risk factors for families when at least one of the parents uses drugs.
- 4. Learners will lists 3 potential impacts that drug usage has on the community.
- 5. Learners will identify 3 protective factors that strengthen families.

# D. Course Topics/Hourly Outline

- 1<sup>st</sup> Hour
  - Introduction of instructor and learners
  - -Pre-test
  - -Identifying the victims of drug abuse
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour
  - -Dangers of living in a home of a drug abuser
  - -The Future of drug abusers
  - -Parent's impact on children
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour
  - -Collateral damage (child abuse, DV, violence)
  - Identifying harmful drug environments and their negative outcomes
- 4<sup>th</sup> Hour
  - Identifying harmful drug environments and their negative outcomes continued
  - The Costs of Drug Abuse
  - Strengthening Families and Community (5 protective factors)
  - -Post-test and evaluation

# E. Text and required supplies

Instructor will provide the learners with all materials/supplies needed for course. Instructor will require from venue agency a PowerPoint projector, speakers, screen, and microphone.