



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month! For more information on events throughout the month or to see how you can help raise awareness, please visit Quad-County Community Partnerships For Protecting Children at www.earlydevelopment.org.

IOWA GAMBLING TREATMENT PROGRAM

1-800-BETS OFF



ADDS offers a wide variety of services for those battling Substance Abuse Disorders. For

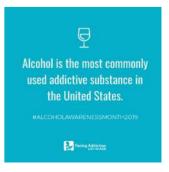
a comprehensive list of services that ADDS offers, please visit us at:

https://addsiowa.org/substance-use-disorder/





April is also Alcohol Awareness Month! Did you know that Alcohol consumption is increasingly a woman's issue? Death rates related to alcohol have risen 85% over the last decade for women. For more information, visit our friends at www.ac4c.org.





U.S. Government Warns of Deadly Fentanyl-Xylazine Cocktail

"The U.S. government issued a grave new warning Wednesday about a cocktail of illegal street drugs made of fentanyl and xylazine that's fueling another wave of American overdose deaths.

'I'm deeply concerned about what this threat means for the nation,' said Dr. Rahul Gupta, head of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Xylazine, known on the street as 'tranq', was first linked to drug deaths in the Northeast but has since spread rapidly in Southern and Western states.

What to know about xylazine, the drug authorities are calling a public safety threat

Speaking with reporters ahead of today's public announcement, Gupta said the Biden administration will formally notify Congress about the public health threat and will then roll out a plan to combat the crisis over the next 90 days."

For more information on this article please visit -

https://www.npr.org/2023/04/12/116934583 2/biden-says-fentanyl-xylazine-deadlynational-threat



Lethal Counterfeit Pills in Iowa Are a Huge Problem

"The danger of taking a fake drug is much more than meets the eye. Prescriptions acquired from non-legitimate pharmacists can be made with no safety precautions taken and are often bulked up and laced with cheaper drugs that cannot be seen, smelled, felt, or tasted. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, more than 15,000 counterfeit pills were seized in Iowa in 2021.

One of the most common and dangerous drugs used to lace other substances is Fentanyl, which can kill the average person after ingesting just two milligrams. In 2021, 87% of the 434 overdose deaths in Iowa were connected to Fentanyl lacing."

To learn more about counterfeit pills and hoe to learn how to know if you are getting your prescription from a trusted source, please visit Your Life Iowa at - https://yourlifeiowa.org/news/dont-get-faked-out-3-things-to-know-about-fake-prescription-drugs





If you wish to be trained on how to obtain and administer Narcan / Naloxone, please contact Tristyn Foster at tfoster@addsiowa.org, or via telephone at 319-753-6567

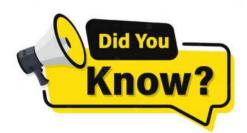


My Life My Quit is a free quit vaping counseling service that is done via text messaging and is for youth ages 13 and up.

My Life, My Quit website has resources for educators, parents/guardians, healthcare professionals, and community organizations. Any student age 13 or older can text "Start" to 36072 or visit MyLifeMyQuit.com to get started.

Quitline Iowa.... Need help quitting for good? ... Success is possible with the right help.... Connect with your personal coach today. Click to chat, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669)





Did you know that ADDS has a problem gambling treatment program and we have provided this service for decades? Jessica Hartz is our gambling counselor the past 6 years. Jessica is certified as an international gambling counselor and international alcohol and drug counselor. She provides individual and family counseling to those concerned with their gambling behaviors and their loved ones. She travels to all 4 of ADDS' offices as needed (Burlington, Keokuk, Mt Pleasant, Wapello), and also offers telehealth services if desired/needed. Iowa BC/BS and Iowa Medicaid insurances will cover gambling treatment and Iowa HHS also provides ADDS with a grant for those who do not have insurance (income based). Need an evaluation for substance use AND gambling? Jessica can provide this evaluation at the same time! Just call and schedule. If you would like to talk to Jessica more about you or a loved one's gambling, please contact her via her work cell (319-759-6708) or email (jhartz@addsiowa.org).





DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE



SUBSTANCE ABUSE TESTING IS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT

ADDS ASSISTS TO IMPROVE YOUR DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICIES

Preventions Specialists at ADDS will work with your organization to help implement or improve your existing Drug-Free Workplace (DFW) Policies. A sound DFW policy will assist employees struggling with addiction before the addiction affects the Workplace, will cut down on the use of sick time used, will decrease the chances of a Workplace accident, will increase the overall output and morale of the Workplace, and will help the overall community be a healthier one! For assistance, contact our Prevention Specialists in your county!

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