



## **Substance Use Disorders in Missouri 101**

Substance use disorders (SUD) present a major public health concern with a significant impact on health, including increased mortality, interpersonal and socioeconomic difficulties. Nationally, Missouri ranks highest among states for drug use with rural communities disproportionately affected. Nurses, first responders and community workers play a vital role in preventing, recognizing and addressing substance use. Knowledge and education are critical to acknowledging addiction as a chronic disease and decreasing the associated shame and stigma to support recovery and improved quality of life.

By attending the **workshop**, the learner will:

- Identify commonly used substances
- Examine the impact of substance use on families and communities
- Recognize the nature of substance use as a chronic disease
- Recognize the influence of language and attitudes on stigma
- Identify several treatment options
- Explore the newest research around SUD prevention and treatment

**Target Audience:** Nursing and other healthcare professionals and students, and any individual or organization whose members seek to increase their knowledge and understanding of substance use disorder and its impact on individuals, families, and communities.

**Registration:** Free

**Accreditation:** University of Missouri Sinclair School of Nursing is approved as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the Midwest Multistate Division, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

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