

# **TOOLKIT FOR EMPLOYERS Substance Use and the Workplace**

In the past ten years, persons employed in the trades and service industries made up 65% of opioid overdose fatalities on Cape Cod. The Barnstable County Department of Human Services has produced an Employer Toolkit to help employers determine how substance use is impacting their bottom-line in terms of lost productivity and increased labor costs and employee health and wellness. The Toolkit provides information and tools to help employers address substance use in their workforce.

## The Employer Toolkit includes:

- General Information on Substance Use including the National Safety Council's Cost Calculator that can estimate costs to a business like yours
- Workplace Policies: Injury Prevention resources including "Seven Ways to Improve Operations without Sacrificing Worker Safety"
- Workplace Policies: Benefits and Employee Assistance including "The Proactive Role Employers
  Can Take: Opioids in the Workplace", and information about Employee Assistance Programs (EAPs)
- The Law and Substance Use including samples of Massachusetts Sick Time Policy, Massachusetts Substance Use Policy, and Last Chance Agreement

Find the Cost Calculator and Toolkit at mychoicematters.net, click on Employer Toolkit

Explore the available resources to become more educated and to help you to take action!





# Are you concerned about yourself or someone else?

#### Massachusetts Substance Use Information and Education Helpline

800-327-5050 (confidential) www.helpline-online.com

## Substance Use Resources and Information for Cape Cod

Barnstable County Substance Use Resource Guide available at mychoicematters.net, click Resources

## Gosnold on Cape Cod

www.gosnold.org

#### Learn to Cope

www.learn2cope.org

#### **Parents Supporting Parents**

www.facebook.com/Parents-Supporting-Parents

## **Opioid Overdose Education** and Naloxone Training

Naloxone can temporarily reverse the effects of an opiate overdose

#### Training and Naloxone Distribution

AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod (free) www.asgcc.org

Learn to Cope (free) www.learn2cope.org

#### Naloxone ("Narcan")

Narcan can be purchased from pharmacies (cost is based on insurance; no prescription is needed; call ahead)

#### Mashpee Substance Use Drop-In Night

Connect to support and treatment - first Tuesday of every month at Mashpee Community Health Center of Cape Cod - 4-7pm (free) www.itsnevertooearly.com

# Learn more about addiction and how you can help.

## **National Institute on Drug Abuse**

www.drugabuse.gov

#### Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

www.samhsa.gov

### Massachusetts Opioid Addiction **State Initiative**

www.mass.gov/StopAddiction

#### **Barnstable County Regional** Substance Use Council (RSAC)

E-Newsletter Sign-Up at bchumanservices.net

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