

New England Professional Group

An organization committed to providing education about chemical dependency and addiction treatment—providing professionals with a path to a lifetime of recovery. Our annual meeting provides many opportunities to meet and have fellowship with other health care professionals in recovery.

Scholarships: A limited number of partial and full scholarships will be available to cover the cost of the meeting. Room expenses will be at the expense of the attendee. Please contact the course coordinators if you would like to be considered for scholarship support.

Friends of NEPG are encouraged to offer tax deductible contributions for scholarships to allow newcomers in recovery to incorporate our group into their recovery.

Bios

Harry Haroutunian: Physician Director of the Licensed Health Professionals Program at the Betty Ford Center. “Dr. Harry” is an internationally known speaker on the topic of Addictive Disease and its treatment and is Board Certified in Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine.

Fred Holmquist: Director of the Lodge Program at Hazelden’s Dan Anderson Renewal Center. Many of his thirty-four years in the field have been with Hazelden programs in Minnesota and New York City. He also served as Program Director at High Watch Farm in Kent, Connecticut. Fred translates 12-step principles and practices into simple equivalents from a variety of sciences, professions and wisdom traditions

Garrett O’Connor President of the Betty Ford Institute. Dr. O’Connor is Board Certified in General and Addiction Psychiatry and has held tenured faculty positions at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and UCLA, and was Medical Director of Alcohol and Drug Treatment Centers at both institutions. He has lectured on addiction topics internationally and has conducted a private fitness-for-duty consultation practice.

Steve Gumbley: Chair of Faces and Voices of Recovery, Steve is currently the Director of the Addiction Technology Transfer Center of New England. He is a founder of the Institute for Addiction Recovery at Rhode Island College and is an advocate, educator, clinician, and administrator in addiction treatment and recovery services.

NEPG 2011
November 3-6

33rd Annual Meeting

Recovery: A Long-term Journey, Not a Destination



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Meeting Schedule

Thursday November 3

5:00-7:00 pm Early Registration
8:00-9:30 pm AA/Alanon Meet and Greet

Friday November 4

7-8:00 am Breakfast (provided)
8:00-8:15 am Welcome: *Opening remarks:*
Peter V. and Mark A.
8:15-10:00 am Harry Haroutunian: *Relapse and Relapse Prevention*
10:00-10:15 am Break
10:15-Noon - Fred Holmquist: *The Gifts of a Broader Unmanageability, Reflecting a Deeper Powerlessness*
Noon-1:30 pm Alanon Speaker -Luncheon (Provided)
1:30-5:30 pm Free time (Recreation, shopping)
Visit Wilson House (on your own):
5:30-7:30 pm Open Seating Dinner (First come, first served)
7:30-8:30 pm AA Meeting (Open Step Discussion)

Saturday November 5

7-8:15 am Breakfast (provided)
8:15-10:00 am Garrett O'Connor: *Procrastination*
10:00-10:15 am Break
10:15- Noon Steve Gumbley: *Anonymity and Advocacy for the Health Care Professional*
Noon-12:45 pm Panel Discussion
12:45-4:30 pm Free time (Recreation, shopping)
4:30-5:30 pm AA/Alanon meeting
6:00-9:00 pm 32nd Annual NEPG Banquet.

Sunday November 6

7:30-8:30 am Breakfast (provided)
8:30-9:45 am Spiritual Message
9:45-10:15 am Farewell and Closing:
Peter V. and Mark A.

Meeting Message: Recovery repairs the physical, emotional and spiritual harm caused by slipping into dependence on alcohol and drugs. Guilt, shame, unconscious rationalizations, and losses of spiritual values linger on long after abstinence begins and it is only through relearning (or learning) life skills that recovery grows as an acceptable alternative to use. Recovery evolves as a result of trying to live life with empathetic support, role modeling, and openness to new ideas. Recovery is also possible for those directly affected by the addictive process, people who have lived around unacceptable drug and alcohol use.

Accreditation: This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Alpert Medical School of Brown University and the New England Professional Group.

The Alpert Medical School is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Credit Designation: The Alpert Medical School designates this live activity for a maximum of 8.5 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*TM. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Resort information: We have secured exceedingly inexpensive rates (\$109/night +tax) for a block of excellent rooms at the Equinox luxury resort spa. Includes wireless internet access in guest rooms and public areas, valet parking, use of Equinox Spa facilities: indoor heated pool, fitness facility, sauna, steam and whirlpool, individual shuttle service throughout Manchester, in-room bottled water, newspaper delivery upon request, mountain bike rentals. Reservations for upgraded rooms and suites in the main hotel or in the adjacent townhouses are available on a first come basis. Manchester is widely known to be a haven for golfers, fishermen, hikers and shoppers.

Mention NEPG when you call for your reservations at 877-854-7625.

Conference Registration: Includes the expenses of the meeting, coffee and beverages and the following meals (with notice, we can meet special dietary needs): Full Breakfasts Friday, Saturday and Sunday; Friday Luncheon and Saturday Banquet Buffet. *Resort room expenses are not included.*

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Single: \$300 / Couple \$500 \$ _____

Please deduct \$25 per person from the above rate if registering before September 15.

Voluntary tax-deductible Contribution to Scholarship Fund: \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Make check payable to NEPG by October 15. Mail to address below

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Additional Registration Forms:

<http://idaa.org/meetings/international/>