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in Our Community



Clear and Present Danger



Thursday, June 12, 2014

9:30-11:00

Friendship Church

12800 Marystown Road, Shakopee, MN 55379

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Learn about heroin and prescription painkiller (opioid) abuse, the fastest growing drug problem in the U.S. and Minnesota. The American Medical Association says opioids play a role in 15,000 deaths annually and account for more than 340,000 emergency department visits each year. Many who start with prescription opioids turn to readily available high purity and low cost heroin. This fast-paced workshop will describe the nature and extent of this issue, and will outline what parents, medical professionals, and communities can do about it.

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Schedule | Coffee and refreshments beginning at 9:15

- 9:30 Welcome—
FISH Chair Jon Ulrich & Director Beth Loechler**
- 9:40 Carol Falkowski, CEO, Drug Abuse Dialogues**
- 10:25 Local Perspectives from Law Enforcement**
- 10:45 Partner Announcements and next meeting**
- 11:00 Adjourn**

Carol Falkowski has delivered professional and community workshops in 28 states and internationally. She has provided expert testimony to U.S. Congressional committees and numerous other legislative bodies. She is widely published in professional periodicals. As drug abuse strategy officer at the Minnesota Department of Human Services, Falkowski worked with other state agencies to develop Minnesota's first-ever State Substance Abuse Strategy. It provides an overview of substance abuse in the state and how various agencies address it.

