

Brookhaven Town Hosts Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education, Prevention and Awareness Program

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Farmingville, NY – In a continuing effort to combat the growing heroin epidemic in Suffolk County, Supervisor Ed Romaine, Councilman Michael Loguercio and the Brookhaven Youth Bureau are hosting a Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education, Prevention and Awareness Program for parents and guardians on Wednesday, July 13 at Town Hall. The program will take place in the second floor conference room from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and participants must preregister by calling the Youth Bureau (631) 451-8011.

During the program, licensed professionals from the Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (LICADD) will discuss how to talk to children, teens and young adults about drugs and alcohol, signs of drug and alcohol abuse, and what steps to take if abuse is taking place. Topics will also include new trends in substance abuse and understanding why young people get high.

This is the second of three programs Brookhaven Town is holding regarding the current heroin epidemic. Approximately 100 residents attended the NARCAN Training Program held at Town Hall on June 7, and the cap for this pre-registration program needed to be raised due to the response the Youth Bureau received. NARCAN is a medication that can reverse the effects of an overdose. The Youth Bureau will host a second NARCAN Training Program in October. This program will be for pre-registered participants only due to the limit of NARCAN packets available.

If you would like to find out more information regarding any of the Youth Bureau's programs, please call (631) 451-8011. Additionally, if you know anyone who is suffering from drug and alcohol abuse, please contact the Youth Bureau. A licensed professional will provide critical information and referrals.

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