



**BOAPC**  
Berkshire Opioid Addiction Prevention Collaborative



# Save the Date!

## Hepatitis C and the Opioid Crisis

### A Berkshire County-Focused Public Health Seminar

**Tuesday, October 22nd, 2019**

**8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

**Berkshire Hills Country Club**

**500 Benedict Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201**

**8:00-8:30**

**Registration, coffee and light refreshments**

**8:30 – 8:45**

**Introductions & Overview**

Jennifer Kimball, Principal Planner, Berkshire Regional Planning Commission/Berkshire Opioid Addiction Prevention Collaborative (BOAPC)

**8:45– 9:30**

**Virology, Transmission, Current Statistics**

Daniel Church, MPH

Massachusetts Department of Health Bureau of Infectious Disease

**9:30– 10:15**

**Current Treatments & Best Practices**

Durane Walker, Attending Physician, Division of Infectious Diseases Associate, Fellowship Program Director & Resident Education Coordinator; Assistant Professor, UMMS-Baystate Baystate Health

**10:15– 10:30**

**Break**

**10:30– 11:15**

**The Role of Comprehensive Drug User Services: Drug User Health & Importance of Advocacy**

Sarah DeJesus, Assistant Operations Director for Rural Drug User Health, Tapestry

**11:15– 11:45**

**Reaching the “Hard-to-Reach” Populations: Proven Prevention Methods & the Rights of Drug Users**

Jess Tilley, Co-founder HRH413, Executive Director New England Users Union, Co-president Urban Survivors Union (USU) National

**11:45– 12:15**

**Q & A, Close**

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