

TED Discussions: Oct 25 & Nov 4, 2017

Johann Hari, “*Everything you think you know about addiction is wrong*” (TEDGlobalLondon2015)

Local Addiction Resources:

1. Delaware Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS, and also DPH)
 - Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health - dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dsamh
(includes a directory of licensed and certified treatment providers)
 - Syringe exchange program (SB13 in 2011), administered by Brandywine Counseling
dhss.delaware.gov/dph/dpc/needleexchange.html brandywinecounseling.org
2. HelpsHereDE.com – Crisis hotline, community services. This is a DHSS website.
3. attackaddiction.org – advocacy, volunteer opportunities, women’s transitional homes
4. attorneygeneral.delaware.gov/dojtreatmentassistance – legal assistance for Delawareans who’ve been denied insurance coverage for addiction treatment

Additional Online Resources:

1. Johann Hari’s 2015 Book – *Chasing the Scream*
2. ChasingTheScream.com (see the “WHAT YOU CAN DO” section for a list of organizations working on addiction issues globally and in the U.S.)
3. Related TED Talks (TED.com):
 - Michael Botticelli – “Addiction is a disease. we should treat it like one” (October 2016)
 - Ethan Nadelmann – “Why we need to end the war on drugs” (2014)
4. Full-length documentary films:
 - “The Anonymous People” (2014) manyfaces1voice.org
 - “Generation Found” (2016) generationfoundfilm.com – showing at UD Nov 1
(sponsored by Collegiate Recovery Community)
5. American Society of Addiction Medicine - ASAM.org

Related legislation in Delaware – visit legis.delaware.gov for details

- Insurance coverage for addiction treatment – SB41, SB109, HB100
- New commissions – HB220 “Addiction Action Committee”, SB111 Behavioral Health Consortium
- Others: HB91, HB250 (Opioids), HB110, HCR52 (Cannabis), SB44, SB45, SB48 (misc)

Upcoming League events...

- TED Discussions – Lawrence Lessig “*We the People, and the Republic we must reclaim*” (money in politics) – Thurs Nov 9 in Newark or Sat Nov 11 in Bear.
- Great Decisions “*The Enduring Challenge of Nuclear Weapons*” Monday Nov 13 at 1:30pm
- Hot Topic lunch - Monday Nov 27 at Michaels restaurant in Christiana (presentation topic TBD)