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Where To Turn For Help With Drug and Alcohol Issues In Bucks County

This informational sheet will help you or your family member access treatment for a drug and/or alcohol problem, as well as give some other resource information. The first step in accessing treatment is for the individual to get a professional assessment to determine the extent of the problem and the type of treatment and recovery plan needed. Adult and adolescent services are available throughout Bucks County. For more information, please call our Approval of Care Department at 215-773-9643.

To access treatment for those who have private health insurance, call the number on the back of the insurance card listed under Mental Health/Substance Abuse.

To access treatment for those with Medical Assistance, call Magellan Health Services at 877-769-9784 and they will give information as to the nearest treatment agency for an assessment or go to one of the listed assessment sites below.

To access information regarding Veteran's Benefits, call 877-222-8387 to find out eligibility for services. Individuals who are Veterans are eligible for county funding.

For individuals with no insurance, there may be county funded treatment available as well as other supportive services. The individual must go to one of the assessment sites listed below, either as a walk in or calling for an appointment. The individual will need to bring certain documents to the assessment, including proof of Bucks County residency, and other documents to complete a Medical Assistance application. Due to limited funding, County funding for residential treatment is budgeted on a monthly basis, which limits the number of individuals who can be admitted into that level of care each month. However, other treatment alternatives, such as outpatient treatment, are available. **Individuals that are considered a priority population, such as pregnant injection substance users, pregnant substance users, injection substance users, overdose survivors, veterans and adolescents are exempt from any limitations. Preferential treatment is given to pregnant females.**

Assessment Sites

Aldie Counseling Center
11 Welden Drive
Doylestown, PA 18901
215-345-8530
www.aldie.org
Walk in hours: M-F 8:00am-2:00pm

Aldie Counseling Center
2291 Cabot Boulevard, West
Langhorne, PA 19047
215-642-3230
www.aldie.org
Walk in hours: M-F 8:00am-2:00pm

Gaudenzia Lower Bucks
501 Bath Road
Bristol, PA 19007
(on the grounds of Lower Bucks Hospital)
267-405-6530
www.gaudenzia.org
24/7-Walk in and appointments available

Pyramid Healthcare, Inc.
1230 Veteran's Highway, Suite F-1
Bristol, PA 19007
215-244-7607
www.pyramidhealthcarepa.com
Walk in hours Monday 8:30-6:00pm
Tues-F 8:30am-3:00pm

Penn Foundation – The Recovery Center
807 Lawn Avenue
Sellersville, PA 18960
215-257-9999
1-800-245-7366
<http://www.pennfoundation.org>
Walk-in hours M-F 8:30am-2:30pm
*Phone intake preferred prior to assessment

DUI

For court ordered Driving Under the Influence (DUI) classes, assessment and treatment services.

Council of Southeast Pennsylvania, Inc.
<http://www.councilsepa.org>
DUI Central & Upper Bucks County
215-345-6644

Livengrin Foundation, Inc.
<http://www.livengrin.org>
DUI Lower Bucks County
215-946-4029

Family Service Association of Bucks County
<http://www.fsabc.org>
DUI Bucks County
215-494-9090

Family Supports

Free Family Education Programs are available to help family members of individuals with an active addiction – call The Council of Southeast of Pennsylvania at **1-800-221-6333 Monday-Friday 9am-5pm** for locations and times.

Recovery Centers and Intensive Case Management Services

For more information about The Council of Southeast Pennsylvania's Community Recovery Centers, Intensive Case Management and Recovery Coaches, go to the following website: www.proact.org or call **1-800-221-6333 Monday-Friday 9am-5pm**. They can also give you information about local mutual aid support groups including AA and NA, Alanon, etc.

Recovery Houses

Recovery Houses are available throughout Bucks County. Recovery Houses provide a safe living environment for individuals seeking recovery and support. For more information, go the following website: <http://www.bucksrecoveryhouses.com>

For more information about the full array of services available in Bucks County, go to the website:
<http://www.buckscounty.org/government/HumanServices>

If you have a complaint about assessment or treatment services you receive, call BCDAC, Inc. 215-773-9643 or email dnacomplaints@buckscounty.org

Have a Child Age 12 and up to 17 with an Alcohol or Drug Problem?

Wonder where to turn?

We can help, by providing...

Information on community and family resources, support groups, school services, etc.

And...if your child refuses treatment, there is another option. The legal system can require your child to enter drug and alcohol treatment. To get the process started, call the Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. (BCDAC) at 215-773-9643 and mention Act 53.

What is Act 53?

ACT 53 is a law in the state of Pennsylvania. Act 53 allows a parent/legal guardian to get a drug and alcohol assessment for their child, and if warranted, compel the child to enter treatment.

Criteria

- The parent/legal guardian believes that their child has a drug or alcohol problem;
- The child is unwilling to participate in a treatment program;
- The child must be a resident of Bucks County; and
- The child must be between the ages of 12 and up to 17

If the above criteria are met, BCDAC, Inc. will guide the parent/legal guardian through the Act 53 process.

Procedure

The ACT 53 hearing and assessment process can be completed within a week. The first step is for parents to call BCDAC's Approval of Care Dept. at 215-773-9643 for guidance and resources. Information on how to access Act 53 will be provided, along with direction on how to complete applications and the two court hearings to be conducted. A confidential drug and alcohol assessment will be conducted by credentialed staff from Aldie Counseling Center, or Penn Foundation. The assessment will occur at the Bucks County Justice Center. If the child is found in need of treatment, a court order will be written and arrangements will be made for the child's treatment to begin as soon as possible. Parents/legal guardians are responsible for court related fees, including \$58 Sherriff fee and \$24.50 filing fee. Funding for legal representation for the child will be through BCDAC, Inc. Treatment costs are through parent/guardian private insurance, Medical Assistance or County funding. Guidance on funding process will be provided to parent/legal guardian.

Questions? Contact:

Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. 215-773-9643, M-F 8:30-4:30

OR

Bucks County Children's Crisis Support 1-877-HELP (1-877-435-7709), After Hours

Signs & Symptoms by Drug Class

Narcotics: Lethargy, drowsiness, euphoria, nausea, constipation, constricted pupils, slowed Breathing

Hallucinogens: Trance-like state, excitation, euphoria, increased pulse rate, insomnia, Hallucinations

Alcohol: Slurred speech, impaired judgment and motor skills, incoordination, confusion, tremors, drowsiness, agitation, nausea and vomiting, respiratory ailments, depression

Depressants: Drowsiness, confusion, incoordination, tremors, slurred speech, depressed pulse rate, shallow respiration, dilated pupils

Cocaine/Crack Cocaine: Excitability, euphoria, talkativeness, anxiety, increased pulse rate, dilated pupils, paranoia, agitation, hallucinations

Inhalants: Slurred speech, incoordination, nausea, vomiting, slowed breathing

Marijuana: Mood swings, euphoria, slow thinking and reflexes, dilated pupils, increased appetite, dryness of mouth, increased pulse rate, delusions, hallucinations

Stimulants: Excitability, tremors, insomnia, sweating, dry mouth and lips, bad breath, dilated pupils, weight loss, paranoia, hallucinations

Tobacco: Smelly hair, clothes, and breath; yellowing of teeth; coughs; increased asthma attacks; shortness of breath and poorer athletic performance. After only a few weeks, users of spit tobacco can develop cracked lips, white spots, sores, and bleeding in the mouth

Source: SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration)