



Massachusetts Opioid Screening and Awareness Day

SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

INFORMATION FOR VIRTUAL SCREENING SITES

Thank you for your participation in Massachusetts Opioid Screening and Awareness Day, the statewide awareness, education, and screening event. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 event will now be held online.

Components of the Virtual Screening Event:

- A free town hall with up-to-date information about opioid use disorder, hosted and moderated by experts in the field
- An anonymous, interactive, online opioid screening tool
- Referrals to the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline and to Host Sites
- A variety of educational resources targeted to both clinicians and the general public

Responsibilities/Objectives for Hosting an Event:

- To encourage individuals in your community at risk for opioid misuse and/or their loved ones to view the town hall and to complete the free, anonymous, interactive, online screening
- To educate community members about opioid misuse and disorder so that the disorder is better recognized, treatment options become more visible, and stigma is reduced
- To connect at-risk participants who are part of your healthcare community with quality treatment options at your facility

Publicity and Promotion:

- Get creative! Feel free to use the provided publicity, marketing, and promotional materials on the
 following websites: <u>opioidscreening.org</u> or <u>bcore.brighamandwomens.org</u>, including the
 customizable press release that you can send out to local newspapers. We made it easy for you to
 insert your individual organization's information!
- You can extend your reach even further by promoting this event electronically. Send emails, post on Facebook, tweet on Twitter, make announcements at meetings and throughout the community.
 Word-of-mouth can go a long way. You can also advertise this event in your facility's e-newsletters or blog.

Important Reminders:

SCREENINGS ARE EDUCATIONAL: It is important to emphasize that Massachusetts Opioid Screening & Awareness Day is a public education program and that screening are informational, not diagnostic. A complete substance abuse evaluation will be needed after screening to make an actual diagnosis and develop a treatment plan. Furthermore, even if the score on the interactive online tool places a person or their loved one in the low-risk range, persons with concerns about opioid use or health-related problems should contact their health care provider for a complete evaluation.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Site Name:
Type of Site: (Please Check One)
Hospital
College
Community Health Center
Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facility
Senior Center
OBAT (Office-Based Addiction Treatment)
Other:
Contact Person:
Email:
Phone Number:

*Please email completed form to: $\underline{\textbf{reception@djacobsmd.com}}$

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