Don’t let Drug Abuse and Addiction affect you or someone you love!

You might be wondering why on earth your loved one seems to be choosing drugs over you or your family. You might be struggling with finances, or even from the painful realization your loved one is in trouble with the law. Or you might be asking yourself why you are taking drugs again, when you swore just a few hours ago that you would never do that again, or needed to cut down.

Drug abuse is not a moral weakness or faulty willpower. It is a vicious cycle that actually causes chemical changes in the brain, leading to increasingly stronger impulses to use. Without help, drug abuse destroys families and takes lives.

But there is hope.

Learn ways to recognize the signs and symptoms of drug abuse or addiction in someone you care about or yourself. With the right support and treatment, the road to recovery is possible.

Although different drugs may have different effects on overall physical and mental health, the basic pattern of addiction is the same. Getting and using the drug becomes more and more important than anything else, including job, friends and family. The physical and emotional consequences of drug abuse and addiction also make it difficult to function, often impairing judgment to a dangerous level.

If you are like most people, you may not immediately realize that someone you love has a drug problem. It may have started slowly, and your loved one might also have tried to hide the extent of their drug use from you. You might have gotten so used to the drug abuse that coping might seem almost normal. Sometimes the realization that there is something seriously wrong in our own family is just too painful to admit. Don’t be ashamed, and know that you are not alone. Drug abuse affects millions of families, from every socioeconomic status, race and culture. There is help and support available.

If you or someone you know is experiencing addiction issues, don’t wait – Contact ENCOMPASS today! 800-788-8630 or www.encompass.us.com

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