Harm Reduction: real-world strategies & actions to reduce the negative consequences associated with drug use including hepatitis & HIV infection

Please join the Virginia Department of Health LENOWISCO Health District for a discussion about injection drug use (IDU), infections associated with IDU including hepatitis B and C and HIV infection, as well as the elements of a comprehensive harm reduction approach to reduce risk.

- Health District staff will present a draft emergency response plan designed to address a rapid increase in new infectious hepatitis or HIV cases (signaling an outbreak or potential outbreak, similar to the 2015 HIV outbreak in a rural Indiana county).
- Community members and stakeholders will have the opportunity to review key components of the proposed plan, comment, and provide feedback.
- Considering the substantial impact on individuals, families, healthcare providers, systems and communities, as well as the resources currently available or needed to address such a situation, input from the community is essential to the development of a workable plan.

**June 7**
9:00-10:30 am— Lee County
Jonesville United Methodist Church
Church and Institute Street
Jonesville, VA

2:00-3:30 pm— Scott County
First Baptist Church of Weber City
2436 US HWY 23 N
Weber City, VA

**June 28**
9:00-10:30 am— Dickenson County
Dickenson Center for Education and Research
818 Happy Valley Drive
Clintwood, VA

2:00-3:30 pm— Wise County
Mountain Empire Community College
Goodloe Center
3441 Mountain Empire Road
Big Stone Gap, VA

Registration Required: http://www.swvatownhall.eventbrite.com

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