

“Yeah, But Never Around My Kids”
Substance Abuse Case Management in Child Welfare

Wouldn't it be interesting if all mood altering substances (including prescription drugs, alcohol and “medical” marijuana) all came with this label on them:



Presentation Description

The negative effect of substance abuse on parenting is irrefutable. Yet, helping substance abusing parents recognize how their actions harm their children is often difficult to accomplish. This presentation is intended to provide practical skills needed to help manage cases that involve parental substance abuse.

Key components of presentation include:

- Review and discuss foundational concepts of addiction and recovery.
- Discuss substance abuse and parenting, and the general role of child welfare.
- Discuss the importance of establishing an “irrefutable tie” between parental substance abuse and mistreatment of children.
- Discuss what is needed to establish this “irrefutable tie.”
- Discuss assessment skills for working with substance abusing parents.
- Discuss how to facilitate and support treatment.
- Discuss recommendations for policy development.