WVMPHP can help you or someone you love.

Early detection, intervention & evaluation offer the best opportunity for success, thereby preventing any interference with the safe practice of medicine.

WVMPHP Mission Statement

To protect healthcare consumers through seeking the early identification and rehabilitation of physicians, surgeons and other healthcare professionals with potentially impairing health concerns including abuse of mood altering drugs including alcohol, mental illness or physical illness affecting competency so that physicians, surgeons, and other healthcare professionals so afflicted may be treated, monitored and returned to the safe practice of their profession to the benefit of the healthcare profession and the patients we serve.

We Provide:

• Confidential Consultation
• Assistance & Guidance
• Interventions
• Assessments & Referrals
• Recovery Monitoring
• Case management
• Education/Prevention Workshops and Presentations
• Consultations for WV Hospitals, Medical Staffs & organizations
• Support for Families
• Documentation of compliance with treatment provider recommendations

We Serve:

• Physicians
• Medical Students / Residents
• Podiatrists
• Physician Assistants
• Physician Assistant Students
• Family members & colleagues
• Public

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The confidential program for licensees of the West Virginia Medical and Osteopathic Boards of licensure with substance use and/or mental health disorders.
Many people believe health professionals are immune to addiction & mental illness by virtue of their intelligence, education and dedication to helping others. In fact, health professionals develop substance use disorders (SUDS) at a rate equal to or in excess of the general population rate of 10-15% lifetime incidence. Depression is also as common in health professionals as in the general population with a lifetime prevalence of almost 16%. Suicide is found in higher rates for physicians at a 40% increase in male physicians and 2 times more common in female physicians. Physical illness has a 10% lifetime incidence. Perhaps more alarming are the barriers health professionals face in accessing treatment for addiction and/or mental health problems. The medical culture does not train health professionals to seek help or admit vulnerabilities. Fears of stigma, discrimination, loss of confidentiality, disciplinary action, licensing problems and career damage all result in health professionals developing substance use disorders (SUDS) at a rate equal to or in excess of the general population rate.

The WVMPHP helps identify, refer for evaluation and/or treatment, monitor the recovery and endorse the well-being of healthcare practitioners who have a mental or addictive illness, which could potentially affect their ability to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Some examples of these conditions are substance abuse or dependence (including alcohol), depressive disorder, bipolar mood disorder and anxiety disorders.

The confidentiality of the WVMPHP clients is protected to the maximum extent provided by existing State and Federal law.

The WVMPHP is dedicated to helping practitioners heal and, in so doing, to enhance the safety of those practitioners’ patients.