

Hi Dan,

Hope you're well. See our advisory below. Do you think you will be able to make it on Monday?

Sheila

MEDIA ADVISORY for Monday, May 8th

CONTACT:

Sheila Vargas, Direct: (603) 731-8051, svargas@new-futures.org

New Futures, Communications Director

LACK OF SUBSTANCE MISUSE SERVICES AND WORKFORCE NOW COSTING NEW HAMPSHIRE'S ECONOMY OVER \$2 BILLION PER YEAR

CONCORD, NH – The non-profit advocacy organization New Futures, will be releasing its updated economic report on the effects alcohol and other drugs have on the New Hampshire economy next Monday alongside business and community leaders who have been directly impacted by substance misuse.

The long awaited report, which covers the cost of substance use disorder on New Hampshire between 2014 and 2016, confirms long voiced concerns about the lack of workforce in the substance misuse field being a contributing factor to elevating the public health crisis. The report also reveals the tremendous impact the New Hampshire Health Protection Program has had on curbing the overall economic cost of substance misuse.

Limited copies of the printed report will first be available in full at the press conference and will be posted shortly after 1:00 PM on Monday, May 8th on the New Futures website.

WHAT: Release of New Futures Economic Report - *Substance Misuse in New Hampshire: An Update on Costs to the State's Economy and Initial Impacts of Public Policies to Reduce Them.*

WHEN: Monday, May 8th, 10-10:30 am

WHERE: Lobby of the LOB

SPEAKING PROGRAM: TBA

##

New Futures is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that advocates, educates and collaborates to improve the health and wellness of all New Hampshire residents. New Futures Kids Count is a branch of New Futures focused on collecting and disseminating critical and reliable state-level data, policy recommendations, and tools for legislators, public officials, and advocates to advance positive policies for Granite State children and families. Learn more at www.New-Futures.org.