



# Mono County Health and Human Services

## Silent Treatment: Addiction in America

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The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation announced today that Public Access Journalism's Silent Treatment: Addiction in America, a five-part newspaper series examining addiction treatment and recovery, will be distributed tomorrow, Aug. 2, by McClatchy-Tribune News Service to newspapers across the country.

Over the next days and weeks, organizations working in the addiction field can look for the series in local papers and their websites, and contact editors to use your group as a resource in stories that will follow. Here are some ways to maximize the series:

- Tips to help you approach local media are included in the Breaking the Silence Action Guide, posted on the Silent Treatment website at [http://www.silenttreatment.info/action\\_guide.htm](http://www.silenttreatment.info/action_guide.htm).
- Free downloads of each story in the series, along with photos and logos, are available at <http://www.silenttreatment.info/downloads.htm>. We encourage you to reprint them, using the following credit line: From the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's "Silent Treatment: Addiction in America" project, produced by Public Access Journalism LLC.
- Free or single bulk copies of a 16-page color reprint of the entire series can be ordered at <http://www.silenttreatment.info/reprints.htm>.
- A web toolkit provides everything your organization's web staff needs to link to Silent Treatment's comprehensive online resources.

Beginning Aug. 3, the Silent Treatment website also will host six live web chats featuring selected experts in the addiction field who will answer questions from readers across the country. Submit your questions in advance, link to or join the site for the live chats at <http://webchat.silenttreatment.info>, or visit the site later to read the full transcript.

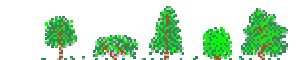
All chats will be online from 2:30-3:30 p.m. ET. The schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, Aug 3: Journalist Thom Forbes, generational addiction issues
- Friday, Aug. 4: Dr. Tom McLellan, Director, Treatment Research Institute; general treatment issues
- Monday, Aug. 7: Darla Bardine, Associate Policy Director, The Rebecca Project for Human Rights; women and disparity issues
- Tuesday, Aug. 8: Pat Taylor, Executive Director, Faces & Voices of Recovery; recovery

movement issues

- Wednesday, Aug. 9: William C. Moyers, VP, External Affairs, Hazelden Foundation; recovery issues
- Thursday, Aug 10: Dr. Sharon Levy, Instructor, Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School; adolescent and teen issues

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Sherri Roff, PAJ project coordinator, at (518) 634-7203 or [sroff@pajournalism.com](mailto:sroff@pajournalism.com).



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