SMOKING CESSATION RESOURCE DIRECTORY



Dear Smoker:

Cigarette smoking has been labeled the "#1 preventable cause of death and disability in the Unites States". Smoking related diseases such as heart disease, cancer and stroke account for nearly 450,000 deaths each year in our country. In Rhode Island, only 24 percent of adults are smokers, but for many, quitting is difficult.

Based on the Surgeon General's latest report on smoking, one reason many people cannot quit is because they are "addicted" to nicotine. For the vast majority of smokers who have successfully quit, if has taken them on the average of 3-4 attempts to finally become "smokefree". If you are not a heavy smoker, or have just begun to smoke, it is much easier for you to quit now than to wait until you have become addicted to tobacco and nicotine.

For health reasons, and whatever other personal reasons you may have, it is important to quit smoking. This resource directory is designed to provide you with assistance and support that you may need in quitting. For success in quitting, it's also important to have a support system of family members and friends to encourage you through the process.

For those who feel they cannot quit on their own and would like assistance, this directory offers information on organizations in Rhode Island that specialize in smoking cessation programs. The programs vary in cost, staff qualifications, techniques, etc. As a consumer, you should try to evaluate which type of program is best for you. Gather as much information as possible before deciding on a particular program. Talk to friends, co-workers, and other acquaintances who have successfully quit smoking and ask them how they did it.

Remember, if you don't make it on the first try, don't be discouraged. It may take you several attempts at quitting, either through a formal program or on your own. Over 40 percent of Rhode Islander smokers eventually have quit - you could be one of them. Good luck in becoming one of the increasing number of people in Rhode Island who are smokefree!

The preceding was reprinted from the RI Department of Health's Smoking Cessation Resource Directory.

AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT RHODE ISLAND

Program Title: **NICOTINE DEPENDENCE TREATMENT**

PROGRAM

Description: A full range of treatment options including

behavioral skills training and medical treatment. These are provided by specially

trained psychologists and physicians.

Clients receive a comprehensive, individual evaluation to tailor the treatment program

to their needs. Group and individual

sessions are available.

Cost: Comprehensive Evaluation - \$86 (Third

party payment available)

Location: The Miriam Hospital, Behavioral Medicine

Clinic, 164 Summit Avenue, Providence, RI

02906, (401) 331-8500, Ext. 4305

Program Title: FREEDOM FROM SMOKING

CESSATION CLINIC

Description: A seven session quit smoking program led by

trained, certified clinic leaders focusing on: positive behavior changes, group support, proven quit techniques and maintenance strategies. Video programs, self-help manuals and programs for worksites are

also available.

Cost: \$75

Location: R.I. Lung Association, 10 Abbott Park Place,

Providence, RI 02903, (401) 421-6487

Program Title: LUNGSS -- Let's Undo Nicotine's Grasp

& Stay Smokefree

Description: LUNGSS provides follow-up support for

people who have recently become

non-smokers. Information is also available for those still smoking who are interested in exploring options for quitting. Weekly

meetings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm offer

speakers and open discussions to those in need of help. Calls for locations and days.

Cost: Free of charge

Location: R.I. Lung Association, 10 Abbott Park Place,

Providence, RI 02903, (401) 421-6487

Program Title: BEDER HEALTH ASSOCIATES' QUIT

SMOKING SEMINAR

Description: The program is a 90 minute seminar using

hypnosis and behavior modification to reduce cravings and quit smoking. Free monthly follow-up (at 2 Rhode Island and 30 Massachusetts locations) and a question/answer hotline to aid in the

withdrawal process are included.

Cost: \$69

Program Title: QUIT POWER

Description: A self-help smoking cessation program made

possible through a grant from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio. This

hypnosis-based program integrates a 25 minute video, a 28 page manual, and an audio cassette tape to provide powerful

relief from cigarette cravings.

Cost: \$29.95 - To order call Beder Health

Associates, (617) 843-7908.

Location: Westerly Hospital, Wells Street, Westerly,

RI 02891, (401) 596-6000

KENT COUNTY

Program Title: BREATH OF LIFE STOP SMOKING

PROGRAM

Description: No matter how much you presently smoke,

how long you have smoked, or how many times you have tried to stop, we will help you stop smoking in one hour with modern

hypnosis. You will learn how to use modern hypnosis and self hypnosis to stop smoking while avoiding weight gain or.

becoming hostile.

Cost: \$75 which includes cassette tape and, if

needed, an additional follow-up visit.

Location: Andrus Center Ltd. for Mental Health

Services, 2006 Nooseneck Hill Road, Coventry, RI 02816, (401) 397-2239 Program Title: NO SMOKE

Description: The program combines hypnosis and

cognitive behavioral techniques for groups, individuals or worksites. Homework sessions with audio-cassette tapes are

included.

Cost: Individuals - \$50. Groups - discounts for

group.

Location: Human Relations Consultants, Inc.,

15 College Park, Warwick, RI 02886, (401)

823 - 5570

Program Title: LIVE WITHOUT SMOKING

Description: A five-part program designed to reduce

physical withdrawal and help with

emotional aspects of smoking. The process

includes: 1) Screening - to evaluate

motivation; 2) Pretherapy - preparation to stop; 3) Therapy - five days intensive plan; 4) Aftercare weekly support sessions; 5) Follow-up - relapse prevention and crisis

intervention.

Cost: \$220 per person

Location: Kent County Stop Smoking Center,

390 Tollgate Road, Warwick, RI 02886,

(401) 739-7212

Program Title: STOP SMOKING PROGRAM

Description: For most people, this is a two-session

program. The thrust of the first session is

to drastically reduce the number of

cigarettes smoked. The habit is eliminated completely during the second session. All

sessions are private.

Cost: \$130

Location: R.I. Hypnosis Center, 2797 Post Road,

Warwick, RI 02886, (401) 738-2091

Program Title: QUIT SMOKING WORKSHOP

Description: A six week "Quit Smoking Workshop"

provides strategies and support for becoming a non-smoker. The program includes specific information on weight control and relaxation techniques to improve the overall health of participants. Series held at various RIGHA Health

Centers.

Cost: RIGHA members - \$60; Non-members - \$120.

Follow-up sessions for former class

participants offered throughout the year.

Location: RIGHA Health Education, 400 Bald Hill

Road, Warwick, RI 02886, (401) 331-3000.

Ext. 444

NEWPORT COUNTY

Program Title: SMOKING CESSATION PROGRAM

Description: A six week course that uses a unique and

effective combination of individual

counseling, behavior management, stress

management and group process.

Cost: \$225 - special prices for seniors, couples,

students and Scholarships are available.

Location: Newport Hospital, Friendship Street,

Newport, RI 02840, (401) 846-6400,

Ext. 1119

PROVIDENCE COUNTY

Program Title: FRESH START

Description: A four session, no-nonsense approach to

quitting smoking. Strategies and

information addressing weight control and

stress management are included.

Cost: Nominal Fee.

Program Title: **SMART MOVE**

Description: A one session introduction to the quitting

process for smokers who do not want a

multi-session program.

Cost: Nominal fee.

Location: American Cancer Society, RI Division, Inc.,

400 Main Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860-2296, (401) 722-8480 or

1-800-ACS-2345

Program Title: IN CONTROL WORKSITE SMOKING

CESSATION PROGRAM

Description: Combines video viewing with professional

guidance to provide each member with information, encouragement, support and behavior modification techniques needed to become a permanent non-smoker. The program combines the advantages of clinic support with the ease and low-cost of a self-help program. One 30 minute session per week for 8 weeks (10 minutes video viewing, 20 minutes group discussion).

The program can be adapted top meet the

needs of each worksite.

Cost: \$60/participant with a minimum group size

of 15 people.

Location: American Heart Association, RI Affiliate, Inc.,

40 Broad Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860,

(401) 728-5300

Program Title: THE INCONTROL SMOKING

CESSATION PROGRAM

Description: Extensive program utilizing many combined

therapies. Stress management, weight control and smoking cessation combined into one program. Preparation, 5 classes and unlimited follow-up are included. Special attention is on minimizing mood swings and discomfort making quitting

easier than you thought possible.

Cost: \$50 - \$90 in groups; \$150 for individuals.

Location: The Incontrol Stop Smoking Center,

77 Ives Street - Room 312, Providence, RI,

02906 (mail only), (401) 245-1669 or

943 - 6690

WASHINGTON COUNTY

See Statewide Program Listings



