# SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Coffee, Tea & Conversation</u> - Connect with other folks who are new to the area, missing loved ones or experiencing life changes. Meet new friends and chat about life over cups of coffee or tea; Time: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 2 - 3 PM; **Please RSVP to** Nicole Abrams at The FCC at 570.481.4330 or <u>info@thefriendlycommunitycenter.org</u>

# ALCOHOL ABUSE SUPPORT GROUPS

Pocono Mountains Area Alcoholics Anonymous – Call (570) 424-8532 for more information.

<u>Allentown, Easton, and Bethlehem Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous</u> - Call (610) 882-0558 for more information.

<u>Alcoholics Anonymous</u> –Call 629-1992. Meetings at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Tannersville: Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M., Fridays at 7:00 P.M. (Men and Women all meetings).

<u>Pocono Mountain Area AA (Serenity House)</u> – Meets Mondays & Thursdays at Noon. Presbyterian Church, 55 Smith Street in East Stroudsburg. Monday thru Friday at 5:30. Call 421-5821 or 424-8532

<u>Alcoholics Anonymous</u>: Answering service for times, locations, and assistance. 570-424-8532

<u>AAA Support Group:</u> meets at Zion United Church of Christ, 14 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Stroudsburg, PA. Call 570-421-8670 for dates and times.

# (ALS) AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS

<u>Greater Philadelphia Chapter</u> -321 Norristown Rd., Suite 260. Ambler, PA 19002. Phone: 215-643-5434. Fax: 215-643-9307. **alsassoc@alsphiladelphia**.org.

1-877-GEHRIG-1 (1-877-434-7441), www.LouGehrig.com

#### AMPUTEE SUPPORT GROUPS(ALLENTOWN)

Lehigh Valley Amputee Support Group,- Cedar Crest Blvd. & I-78 Allentown, PA 18105, (610) 402-7130

# ALZHEIMER'S / DEMENTIA DISEASE SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's Hotline – (800) 272-3900 24 hours a day

<u>Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group</u> – Telephone-based support group through the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA). To register call 1-866-232-8484

## Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group:

**Time:** 2nd Monday of each month from 5:30-6:30 at the Loder Senior Center in East Stroudsburg, 62 Analomink St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

**Facilitator:** Jennifer Bayer-Kautz, Community Outreach Volunteer (Alzheimer's Association) ,570.517.9292 or bayer4@ptd.net -This program is free and open to the public.

#### Alzheimer's and Dementia Memory Café'

**Facilitato**r: Jennifer Bayer-Kautz CTRS, CDP – Community Outreach Volunteer, Alzheimer's Association

**Time:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1-2:30 PM- Sponsored by the Pocono Mountains Community Fundraiser.

This program is free and open to the public- registration via phone is appreciated-570-481-4330

<u>Music Therapy For People Living With Dementia</u> -Bring your loved ones to interact with others through instrument playing and singing while exercising the memory. **Time:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays from 1:00 – 2:00 PM; **Instructor:** Cheryl Mozdian, MM, MT-BC, Summit Music Therapy; **Please RSVP to** Nicole Abrams at The FCC at 570.481.4330 or info@thefriendlycommunitycenter.org

# ARTHRITIS EXERCISE GROUP

<u>Arthritis Club of Monroe County</u> – Exercise class from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Pocono Family Y.M.C.A. in Stroudsburg. Call (570) 421-2525 ext. 139 for more information.

# <u>AUTISM</u>

<u>Autism Society of America, Lehigh Valley Chapter-</u>P.O. Box 3523 Allentown, PA 18106. For more information call 610-751-6532 <u>www.asalehighvalley.org</u>.

<u>ARHC</u>- 610-573-2500,meets every Thursday at 9:30am to 11:00am at 1347 Housman Road, Allentown PA 18104. **Spanish** speaking group meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:30am.

# ASSAULT SUPPORT GROUPS

Adult Incest Survivors and Adult Rape Survivors Crime Victims Council 801 Hamilton St. Allentown, PA 18101 610-437-6610 (Allentown), 610-250- 6313 (Easton) Email: <u>info@cvclv.org</u> 24 hour Hotline: 610-437-6611 Support for survivors of adult incest and rape. Parent Survivors Support Group please call for schedule and information.

#### SAFE HAVEN INC. Domestic and Sexual Abuse Crises Intervention Center

This is strictly confidential. Call Crisis Line (570) 296-4357 or office (570) 296-2827 for more information. <u>safehavenofpikecounty.com</u>

<u>Women's Sexual Assault Support Groups</u> – Call Women's Resources of Monroe County at (570) 421-4200 for more information. **Must call office first**.

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Monroe County VNA Hospice Bereavement Support Group</u> – Meets first & third Wednesday at 12:00 P.M. at the Monroe County Office of the VNA Hospice, Route 447, East Stroudsburg. Call (570) 421-5390 for more information.

Bereavement Support Group @ Smithfields Library Once a month, on either Tuesdays or Thursdays,for Adults 18 and up Facilitator Ruth Glatt, for more info call 570-242-3536 or rglatt70@gmail.com

<u>Grief Share</u> – Meets Sundays from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM at Mt. Eaton Church in Saylorsburg. Call (570) 992-7050.

<u>Compassionate Friends (for Death of Children)</u> <u>Allentown, Easton, and Lehighton</u> <u>Areas</u>- Call Dawn De Long at (610) 837-7924 for more information. For the Allentown site, Call John Sabo (610-866-5468. For the Easton site, Call Patty Bisel (610-826-2938 for the Lehighton Site.<u>CANCER Bereavement Support</u> LVH-Pocono Pastoral Care Rev. Dr. Sherrie L. Sneed. 570-476-3329. Additional bereavement support services and meetings available. VNA/Hospice (570) 421-5390.

#### **BIPOLAR DISORDER SUPPORT GROUPS**

<u>Bipolar Disorder & Depression Support Group</u> – Meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Stroud Conference Room at LV Pocono Medical Center 206 East Brown Street, Lisa, (570) 476-3422 East Stroudsburg, PA 18309

## BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services Support Group</u> – Located at 300 G Laird Street in Wilkes Barre on the 3rd Monday of each month from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Call (570) 826-2361 (TDD (570) 826-2361) for more information.

<u>Center for Vision Loss of Lehigh County</u> <u>Support Group</u>- Meets first Thursday of the month from 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. at 845 West Wyoming Street, Allentown. Call (610) 433-6018 for more information.

#### BRAIN TUMOR SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>American Brain Tumor Association</u>- Toll-free Phone: 800-886-2282 E-mail: info@abta.org Website <u>www.abta.org</u>

# BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

<u>Pocono Chapter -meeting 6:30pm to 7:30pm</u> – Meets at St. Lukes Hospital Monroe Campus, in Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Unit,100 St. Lukes Lane,Route, 4th Floor, 611,Bartonsville. Meetings are on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. The group is a supportive form and idea exchange for those recovering from Traumatic and non-traumatic brain injuries. Information: Janet McLLhenny at 610-434-7775 or Bonnie Kuhns at 610-776-3393.

Brain Injury Support Group at St. Luke's Monroe Campus

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation at St. Luke's Monroe Campus - 4th Floor 100 St. Luke's Lane, Stroudsburg, PA 18360To register or for more information, contact Good Shepherd at 610-776-3393. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

#### CARDIAC DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Cardiac Disease Support Group</u> is the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in Kroner Auditorium, Easton Hospital. RSVP one week in advance to reserve a spot. It is free and usually a light meal is served. Call 610-250-4678.

<u>Pulmonary Disease Support Group</u> is the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in Kroner Auditorium, Easton Hospital. RSVP one week in advance to reserve a spot. Anyone attending any group is encouraged to bring a loved one or family member with them. It is free and usually a light meal is served. 610-250-4678

# CANCER SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Breast Cancer Support Group~ American Cancer Society

2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. American Cancer Society, Stroudsburg PA. Please call 888-227-6333.

## US TOO Prostate Support Group

3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Hughes Cancer Center, East Stroudsburg. For more information contact the social work line (570) 422-1860.

<u>Prostate Cancer Support Group</u> – Meets the first Tuesday of each month 7:00-8:30 P.M. at St. Luke's Radiation Oncology Waiting Room. Call John Flenner, (610) 503-4412 for more information.Bethlehem Campus.

#### Creative Expressions Workshop

Utilizing creative approaches to cope with cancer. For patients of all cancer diagnoses and Family Members/Caregivers. Weekly, Wednesday 10:15 a.m., First Floor Hughes Cancer Center Conference Room. For more information please call (570) 422-1860.

#### Moving Meditation

Relax and energize with gentle exercise and stress management techniques.Movement is adaptable to all levels and can even be done from a seated position. For patients of all cancer diagnoses and Family Members/Caregivers.Weekly,Tuesday 10:00 a.m.,Second Floor Hughes Cancer Center.Additional Friday sessions available at 1:30pm. Please call for dates.For registration and more information contact (570)422-1860.

<u>Leukemia/Lymphoma/Blood-related Cancer Patient and Family Support Group</u> 3rd Tuesday of each month, 5:30 p.m. Hughes Cancer Center, East Stroudsburg. For more information and to register contact the social work line (570) 422-1860.

#### PA Breast Friends Support Group

Day and evening support programs available. Contact Kelli Mercurio (321) 236-3721 for further information. <u>breastfriends.org</u>.

Contact Kelli Mercurio 321-236-3721 or kellimercurio@breastfriends.org

<u>Breast Cancer Support Group~ American Cancer Society</u> 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. American Cancer Society, Stroudsburg PA. <u>Please call 888-227-6333.</u>

# CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

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# COMPASSIONATE CARE CAREGIVER HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP

Come join us for Group Sessions starting March 1, 2019

This group is open to all Caregivers and is designed to provide encouragement for those caring for a loved one. Our group is a place to talk freely with other caregivers, share personal experiences, relieve stress and learn useful tips about caregiving.

#### Call for dates and times.

Where-- Christian Life Assembly, 2209 West Main Street, Stroudsburg, PA Facilitated by: Maria Magyar, LSW and Rev. Brian Nichols RSVP strongly encouraged, 570-476-0150

# CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Knowing the challenges faced by many caregivers, Good Shepherd Rehabilitation announces the creation of a support group to provide needed encouragement.

Who should attend:

Anyone who serves in a caregiver role for an adult or child living with any medical condition

Where:

Good Shepherd's Health & Technology Center Middle Level Conference Room, 850 South 5th Street, Allentown, PA

Cost:

The support group is free. RSVP or for more information: Please call 610-776-3233 for more information or to RSVP by the Wednesday prior to the meeting.

# DEAFNESS AND HARD OF HEARING SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Pennsylvania Office of Deaf & Hard of Hearing (ODHH) –</u> Allentown office-484-866-9929, 45 North Fourth Street, Allentown PA, 18102 Referral and advocacy to adults and children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Harrisburg office-1-717-783-4912 / TDD phone-1-800-233-3008

## DIABETES SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Diabetes Support Group</u> – Meets the first Wednesday of each month 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Easton Hospital Education classroom A&B. Call (610) 250-4000 for more information.

<u>Diabetes Self-Management Course (ABC Diabetes) - Call (215) 283-2833 for more information.</u>

## DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Bipolar Disorder & Depression Support Group –</u> Meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 7:00-9:00 P.M. in the Stroud Room at LV Pocono Medical Center. Call (570) 476-3422 and ask for Behavioral Health Unit.

#### DIVORCE CARE

<u>Divorce Care</u>- Meets Sundays evening 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Mt. Eaton Church in Saylorsburg. Call (570) 992-7050.

#### DOWNS SYNDROME SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Pocono Parents of Downs Syndrome</u> – Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at ESU in East Stroudsburg,Room, 219, Stroud Hall. at 6:30pm. Call Betty at (570) 476-1269 for more information. www.theppods.org

#### EPILEPSY SUPPORT GROUP

Lehigh Valley Hospital, Kasych Family Pavilion, - 1200 South, Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown, PA Meeting in Room 5, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month starting at 6: pm. to 7:30pm Call 800-887-7165 ext. 109

## <u>GRIEF SUPPORT</u>

Bayada Hospice, - 529 7 Bridges Road, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

Joshua Birchfield at 570-994-1514, call for Monroe County dates and times.

Lehigh Valley Health Network

Adult Grief Support Group meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month. Hospice House location, 412 East Brown Street, East Stroudsburg. This workshop is a free community service, offered by: Lehigh Valley Hospice Pocono Advanced registration is required. For information or to register please contact: Tammy Hiestand, 272-762-3826.

## HIV & HEPATITIS C CARE

NovusACS 28 N 7th Street Stroudsburg, PA 18360

570-599-8699, NovusACS@gmail.com

# FAMILY AND COUNSELING SERVICES

Pine Brook Family Answers- Call (610) 435-9651 for more information.

<u>The Well Spouse Association</u> – Provides emotional support for people married to someone with a chronic illness. Main number, 732-577-8899, also National number 1-800-838-0879.

#### LGBT SUPPORT GROUP

185 Roseberry Street, Phillipsburg, NJ

St. Luke's Warren Campus, Farley Education Center – Monday's at 6:30pm to 8:00pm

For more information, call 908-763-7843

# SAGE LGBT SENIOR HOTLINE

Elder Hotline is available for anyone ages 50 and over who wish to discuss issues related to sexual orientation and /or gender identity.

SAGE LGBT Elder Hotline can be reached toll-free at 1-888-234-SAGE from 4pm to midnight from Monday thru Friday and on Saturdays from noon to 5pm, Eastern Time.

# LUPUS SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Lehigh Valley Hospital</u> – Pocono, 206 E. Brown Street, Brodhead Conference Room, 1st Floor, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301. First Tuesday of the Month, 5:30pm, Location subject to change. Please call office to confirm location at 215-517-5070

Lupus Foundation of America -Philadelphia Tri-State Chapter-Jenkintown, PA

215-517-5070, Toll free in PA & NJ ,866-517-5070

## LYMPHOMA-LEUKEMIA SUPPORT GROUP

Leukemia/Lymphoma/Blood-related Cancer Patient and Family Support Group: 3rd Tuesday of each month, 5:30 p.m. Hughes Cancer Center, East Stroudsburg. For more information and to register contact the social work line (570) 422-1860.

## MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Carbon/Monroe/Pike Mental Health/Mental Retardation Program</u> – Call (570) 421-2901 for more information.

<u>National Alliance for the Mentally III (NAMI)</u> – First and Third Wednesday of every month 7:00-9:00 P.M. at Brodhead Rm. at LV Pocono Medical Center. Call Eileen at 620-1865 for more information.

800-950-6264 (NAMI Helpline) Hotline Phone, 800-950-6264 (National Information Hotline) Other Phone, In a Crisis? Text 'NAMI' to 741741 Web Address: www.nami.org

#### MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Greater Delaware Valley Multiple Sclerosis Chapter</u> 1 Reed Street, Suite 200, Philadelphia, PA 19147 Phone: (215) 271-1500 E-mail: <u>pae@nmss.org</u> Web: http://www.nationalmssociety.org/pae/home/

<u>Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital MS Wellness Prog. and MS Day Hospital</u> 850 S. Fifth Street, Allentown PA 18103 Call 610-778-9303 <u>www.Goodshepherdrehab.org</u>

#### <u> Multiple Sclerosis Support Group – Allentown</u>

Co-sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network, a support group meets the fourth Wednesday evening of each month starting at 6:30 p.m.:

Good Shepherd Health & Technology Center 850 South 5th St., Allentown, PA 18103

The group provides participants with opportunities to gain peer support as well as receive information about the latest research, treatments, programs and services available for people living with MS.

For information, call 610-776-3585.

## MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY SUPPORT GROUPS

Muscular Dystrophy Association: 2132 South 12th Street, Suite 101 Allentown, PA 18103, 610 391-1977

#### NAMI GROUP MEETINGS

800-950-6264 (NAMI Helpline) Hotline Phone, 800-950-6264 (National Information Hotline) Other Phone, In a Crisis? Text 'NAMI' to 741741 Web Address: www.nami.org

# NICOTINE SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Nicotine Anonymous Support Group</u>- Mt. Zion Church of Christ, 14 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, in Stroudsburg on Wednesdays from 6:00pm to 7:pm. 570-421-8670

Christ Episcopal Church - Saturdays @ 6:30 pm - 205 N. 7th St - Stroudsburg

# NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

<u>Narcotics Anonymous</u>- Helpline (570) 421-6618. Call for more information and support group meetings

## OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP

Ostomy Support Group of the Poconos – LV PMC Bartonsville HealthCare Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 600 Commerce Blvd, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, from 10am to 12pm. Contact Gina Day 570-977-6257

#### PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Pocono Support Group</u> – Meets at the ESU, Monroe Hall, East Stroudsburg at 12:00 P.M – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. Dr. Elaine Shue 422-3681. <u>eshuey@esu.edu</u>, Secretary 422-3681

PARKINSONS OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY - Contact Geraldine Haines at 610-868-3510

# SJOGREN'S SYNDROME SUPPORT GROUPS

Support Group Contact: Lupus Foundation/ Resource Center for Autoimmune Diseases Contact Information: (800) 800-5776

## STROKE SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Good Shepherd Health & Technology Center</u> 850 S. Fifth Street Allentown, PA 18103 WWW.GSRH.org Call for dates and times of meetings. For more information, call 610-776-3393.

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation at Easton Hospital

250 South 21st Street Easton, PA 18042 Meetings of the stroke support group are held on the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:45 p.m. For more information, call 610-250-4240.

#### SPINAL CORD INJURY: SUPPORT GROUP

If you are living with a spinal cord injury, Good Shepherd's Spinal Cord Injury Support Group allows you to meet and socialize with others with similar conditions.

The group meets the third Wednesday of every month from 2 to 3 p.m. at Good Shepherd Health & Technology Center, middle level, 850 S. Fifth Street, Allentown. There is no cost and no doctor prescription is required.

For more information on the Good Shepherd Spinal Cord Support Group, call 610-776-3393.

## SUICIDE SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Survivors of Suicide-Family Answers</u> 411 West Walnut Street, Allentown, PA 18102 First and Third Mondays of each month from 7PM to 8PM **Contact:** Nancy Marshall, 610-435-9651, <u>nmarshall@familyanswers.org</u>

# LV POCONO MEDICAL CENTER SUICIDE SURVIVORS GROUP

<u>HALOS – CLC</u> (Hope After a Loved One's Suicide – Child Loss Chapter) Stroudburg, PA, Call for exact meeting location Contact Person: Alice Keyes, 570-236-1168 alicekeyes00@gmail.com Charge: NO

> Crisis Intervention Hotline County Lifeline: 570-992-0879 or 1-800-849-1868

## NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE 1-800-273-8255

# TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>NEPATSG/Northeastern Pennsylvania Transplant Support Group Inc.</u> 115 Marshalls Creek Road, East Stroudsburg, PA 18302

<u>Transplant Support Group</u> - Meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00-9:00 P.M. in the Stroud Room at LV Pocono Medical Center.

#### VISION LOSS AND SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Center for Vision Loss,-</u> Monthly support groups meets first Monday of each month at Burnley Workshop Cramer Room 4215 Manor Drive, Stroudsburg, PA at 10 to 11:30 AM. 570-992-7787 for more information

Services provided by <u>The Monroe County Council of the Blind</u> Call the support line, leave a message and receive a call back within 24 hours. (570) 421-4118.

#### WOMEN'S ISSUES SUPPORT GROUPS

<u>Women's Issues Support Groups</u> – Call Women's Resources of Monroe County at (570) 421-4200 for more information. Domestic violence **must call office first.** 

## LV POCONO HEALTH SYSTEM

Visit Pocono Health System on the internet to find additional support groups available: <u>www.poconohealthsystem.org</u>

General Information: (570) 476-3367 Main Switchboard: (570) 421-4000

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