

Human Trafficking: Recognition and Intervention

9 to 11 a.m. Friday, April 7

Blackhawk Room Great River Wellness Plaza 1401 W. Agency Road West Burlington, IA

Description and purpose

Human trafficking exists in small cities, and it exists in Iowa. Children, women and men are enslaved for sex, forced labor and other illegal activities. Health care professionals are in a position to help. This course will teach attendees how to recognize the signs and symptoms of trafficking victims and identify the interventions needed to care for them.

Speaker

Michael J. Ferjak, B.S., M.A.

Ferjak was senior criminal investigator for the Iowa Department of Justice/Iowa Attorney General's Office, and he was director of the Iowa Department of Justice Human Trafficking Enforcement and Prosecution Initiative from 2012 to 2016.

Educational objectives

On completion of this program, participants should be able to:

- Describe human trafficking as a global health care issue that exists in Iowa
- Discuss common indicators and health issues of trafficked people
- Communicate effectively with victims to identify and assess their needs
- Identify intervention approaches and community resources to assist victims
- Discuss measures to help prevent and advocate against human trafficking

Intended audience

- Nurses
- Social workers
- Health care professionals
- Mental health professionals
- Counselors
- Educators and school administrators
- Law enforcement personnel
- Hotel management staff
- Other interested professionals

Credit

This program is approved for 2.4 contact hours of continuing education for nurses for the entire program by Great River Medical Center, Iowa Board of Nursing provider No. 43. Others will receive a participation certificate.

Cost

This program is free. Nursing continuing education recording will be provided.

Registration

Great River Health Systems employees should register in NetLearning. Others should register online at

www.GreatRiverMedical.org/events/professional.

If you have questions, please call 319-768-4005.

Directions

From east or west: From Highway 34, take the Gear Avenue exit and turn south. Turn right at the Agency Road stoplight. Turn left into the first entrance to Great River Health System's campus. Enter Wellness Plaza on the right (west) side of the parking lot.

From north or south: Exit Highway 61 (Roosevelt Avenue) and go west on Highway 34. Take the Gear Avenue exit and turn south. Turn right at the Agency Road stoplight. Turn left into the first entrance to Great River Health System's campus. Enter Wellness Plaza on the right (west) side of the parking lot.

Note

Please layer clothes or bring a light sweater to adjust for temperature variations in the room.

