Perspectives on Interpreting Addiction and Opioid Dependency Appointments

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In the late 1990s, around 100 million people or a third of the U.S. population were estimated to be affected by chronic pain. This led to a push by drug companies and the federal government to expand the use of painkilling opioids. Since then, drug overdoses have become the leading cause of death of Americans under 50, with two-thirds of those deaths from opioids. [Wikipedia] In 2017, the U.S. Surgeon General announced a national “Opioid Crisis.” The course will examine issues associated with interpreting in opioid-related consultations, regulatory protections, non-discrimination laws, standards of care, general opioid-related medical terminology, and cultural biases. The class is designed to help the professional interpreter develop the skills necessary to interpret in opioid dependency consultations by reviewing general screening and treatment tools used by medical professionals.

Saturday, February 23, 2019
9:00am—12:00pm

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3 Hours of Continuing Education Credit
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