## OPIATES & MEDICINE; WHERE ARE WE, AMERICA?



## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2015 7:30PM - 9:00PM

a FREE presentation by Jeffrey P. Berger, MD, FASAM

Non-medical use of opiates has been called an "epidemic" by CDC Director Thomas Frieden and "an urgent public health crisis" by former US Attorney General Holder. Local and national leaders and media headlines echo and highlight this concern. How did we get this way? What can we do? This presentation will be a historically based look at the medical use of opiates, especially in American society. It will focus on the development and use of narcotic medications against the background of the three opiate epidemics in America.

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Dr. Berger attended Wayne State University for both his Bachelor's Degree and Medical School. He completed training in Internal Medicine and is a Board Certified Internist. Early in his career as a physician, he became interested in Addiction Medicine. He began working at Henry Ford Hospital's Maplegrove Center in 1983, and became certified by the American Society of Alcoholism and Other Drug Addiction (now the American Society of Addiction Medicine) in 1984. He began working at Brighton Center for Recovery in 1998, and served as the Medical Director until November 2014. Dr. Berger is now the Chief Medical Officer for Guest House, a Michigan-based, lay operated treatment center that has cared exclusively for Catholic clergy and religious suffering from alcohol, drug and process addictions.

Free and open to anyone interested! People with a personal or professional interest are welcome. FREE admission. Registration is not required.

A certificate of attendance can be provided - FREE CEU's (1.5 hours) for addiction professionals (NAADAC and MCBAP Approved Education Provider)

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