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Course Information Sheet

Bundled Course: Introduction to Substance Use (9.5 education hours)

<u>Course Description</u>: This course provides an introductory overview of abusive substances and tools for coping. It consists of some of our most popular courses: <u>Substance Misuse</u>, <u>Tobacco Addiction and Your Health</u>, <u>Cocaine: A Powerful Stimulant</u>, <u>Marijuana: Harmful or Harmless?</u>, <u>What is Alcohol Addiction?</u>, and <u>Coping Skills and Substances</u>.

Course Objectives:

- 1. Review those substances most misused
- 2. Explore the impact of misused substances
- 3. Consider the negative impact on one's well-being
- 4. Identify the extent and impact of tobacco use
- Evaluate how tobacco delivers its effects
- 6. Review the medical consequences of tobacco use
- 7. Consider treatment options
- 8. Explore the effects of cocaine on the brain
- 9. Examine how cocaine is abused
- 10. Present ways in which cocaine is administered into the system
- 11. Evaluate research that explains cocaine's addictiveness
- 12. Review treatments effective for cocaine abusers
- 13. Identify common ways marijuana is ingested
- 14. Understand the scientific facts about marijuana and how the body responds to its longterm and short-term use
- 15. Identify withdrawal symptoms of marijuana
- 16. Identify the physical and emotional consequences of marijuana use
- 17. Explore how marijuana impacts the individual's life via a self-help handout based on Motivational Interviewing concepts. This includes sections on self-evaluation, decision balance, questions for reflection, goal setting, and information for obtaining further assistance
- 18. Discuss reasons why people develop problem drinking
- 19. Define the "disease concept" of addiction
- 20. Explain the progression of alcoholism as a disease
- 21. Differentiate between alcohol "abuse" and "addiction"
- 22. Explore you own relationship with alcohol
- 23. Define coping skills

- 24. Examine coping skills as "tools"
- 25. Review resilience as related to coping
- 26. Prepare the Coping Skills worksheet

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