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## CE Speaker Spotlight

Hello,



We are excited to announce that each week leading up to the 76th Annual Conference in Spokane, WA, we will be highlighting one of our esteemed CE (Continuing Education) speakers! This week, we're thrilled to shine the spotlight on **David Fawcett**, who will be sharing his expertise on **Sexualized Drug Use**.

David Fawcett PhD, LCSW is a psychotherapist and sex therapist who specializes in the sexualized drug use, LGBTQ issues, and trauma and mental health concerns related to

physical illness. To learn more about David and find out when he will be presenting as part of our our 2025 agenda, [[Click Here](#)].

**The objectives of the David's CE presentation are outlined below:**

Sexualized drug use (also known as chemsex among men who have sex with men) is a growing phenomenon that has become increasingly lethal. Chemsex

involves the compulsive use of substances and sexual behavior in a single addictive ritual. In short order a drug trigger brings up a sexual urge (and vice versa), tolerance results in dramatic escalation of drug use and behaviors, and sex increasingly becomes impossible without being intoxicated. Tragically many treatment centers only recognize the substance side of this addictive behavior, ignoring the sexual component and making a drug relapse over sexual issues almost inevitable. Since the late 1990s the chemsex epidemic has been accelerated first when the Mexican cartels reformulated the P2P method of methamphetamine manufacture and, secondly, by the introduction of geolocating phones which made the acquisition of drugs and sexual hookups infinitely easier. This workshop looks at risk factors of particular individuals as well as the unique aspects of the drugs involved which have led to a dangerous and growing epidemic. An emphasis will be placed on interventions, tools and resources.

1. Participants will be able to describe the evolving epidemiology of chemsex/sexualized drug use in the US.
2. Participants will be able to clinically assess and prioritize complex interactions between addictive behaviors and underlying issues that increase vulnerability to chemsex.
3. Participants will be able to design clinical interventions which integrate multiple addictive substances and behaviors.

Stay tuned as we introduce additional CE speakers in the coming weeks. Our CE credits are approved by the appropriate accrediting bodies and can help you meet licensure and certification requirements. [Click here](#) to see the types of CE credits that are available. Our 2025 CE Accreditation Statement can be found [here](#).

We can't wait to see you at the conference! [Register Here!](#)

Yours in Service,  
Michael M. & Newaj A. - Spokane CE Co-Chairs

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