

Breaking Down the Opioid Crisis

How
Did We
Get Here?

Where
Are We
Headed?

Please join us on Thursday, April 4, 2019 6–8PM
Community College of Rhode Island Auditorium • 1 John Chafee Boulevard • Newport, RI

Welcome Address *Rebecca Boss, Director of RI BHDDH*

Our Keynote Speaker *Dr. Bertha Madras will discuss the history of the opiate crisis, the connection between prescription drugs and heroin epidemic, and what our communities can do to address this serious issue. She speaks with absolute authority on the opioid epidemic by sharing a narrative that is both thoughtful and humorous.*

Local Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Resources
will be on hand with valuable up-to-date information.



Bertha Madras, PhD, professor of Psychobiology/Harvard Medical School, McLean Hospital and cross-appointed at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Her research focuses on neurobiology, imaging, and medications development with 19 US and 27 international patents

for neuropsychiatric disorders. Served as Deputy Director for Demand Reduction in the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, a presidential appointment confirmed unanimously by the Senate.

She recently served as a panelist at the Vatican Pontifical Academy of Sciences and appointed to the President's Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis.



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