



Milton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition is pleased to host a multi-town Community Event in collaboration with Milton, Quincy, Braintree, Weymouth, Canton, Stoughton, Dedham and Randolph:

# Drug Story Theater, Inc.

where *"the treatment of one becomes the prevention of many"*

Presenting

## The Price You Pay

*A show created and performed by teenagers  
in the early stages of recovery from drugs and alcohol.*

Students, parents and community members are invited to attend:

**Free** Public Performance, all are welcome  
Children under age 12 should be accompanied by guardian

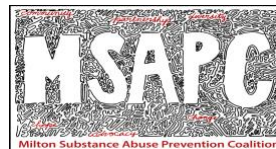
Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 6:30 pm

**Milton High School Auditorium**

**25 Gile Rd. Milton 02186**



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**Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital**  
*Milton*

### **About Drug Story Theater, Inc.:**

Drug Story Theater (DST) takes teens in the early stages of recovery from drugs and alcohol, teaches them improvisational theater, and helps them craft their own unique stories into a play about their seduction of, addiction to and recovery from drugs and alcohol. They then perform this play to middle, high school and college audiences so “*the treatment of one becomes the prevention of many.*” Incorporating brain science with slides in between scenes, DST teaches how young people get addicted and how the adolescent brain is neurologically wired for addiction.

Drug Story Theater is an innovative, evidence-based, peer-to-peer treatment and prevention program. Surveys show that after seeing this 40-minute play, the audience overwhelmingly believes marijuana is addictive, and that drugs and alcohol have an adverse effect on relationships and the ability to succeed in school. In the talk back portion of a show, one of the main points Dr. Joseph Shrand (the creator of Drug Story Theater and a leading expert in adolescent addiction) addresses is how marijuana is a gateway drug to opioids.

Drug Story Theater, Inc. is a registered 501c3 nonprofit which has recently been asked to partner with **Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts** to roll out our program across the Commonwealth.

To date, Drug Story Theater has performed for over 30,000 audience members in cities and towns across the Commonwealth!

### **About Dr. Joseph Shrand:**

In 2014, Dr. Shrand merged his two passions of youth theater and child psychiatry to create Drug Story Theater. Dr. Shrand is a nationally recognized expert in the treatment of addiction, especially amongst adolescents, and is frequently called upon by news, radio and the press as a subject matter specialist.

Dr. Shrand is Chief of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry for High Point Treatment Centers, and the creator and Medical Director of CASTLE (Clean and Sober Teens Living Empowered), a short term residential substance abuse program for adolescents challenged by substance use.

Dr. Shrand is triple Board Certified by the American Board of Adult, and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Neurology, and the American Board of Addiction Medicine. He is uniquely qualified to answer any questions about substance abuse and addiction that you may have today.

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