

COVID-19 and Well-Being

New Hampshire Lawyers Assistance supports well-being in our profession including health and safety. NHLAP groups and meetings will take place remotely until further notice. Contact t.harrington@lapnh.org for dial-in information.

We recognize that collateral effects can impact our mental health. We offer these resources as examples to help you understand and manage potential challenges.

Necessary Emergent Information

NHLAP

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https://www.instagram.com/nhlawyersassistance/;

https://www.linkedin.com/company/11825269/admin/; https://twitter.com/LAPNH.

New Hampshire Lawyers Assistance Program for all New Hampshire lawyers, judges, law students. We offer free, confidential help with addictions, mental health disorders, chronic stress, and personal and career-related issues. Our services include professional clinical referrals; interventions; peer support groups; one-one non-clinical support and monitoring; volunteer referral; and education.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The CDC site is likely to offer the most up to date information on the COVID-19 virus (https://www.cdc.gov/). See links to articles "Mental Health and Coping During COVID-19" and "Stigma and Resilience."

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/coping.html https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/related-stigma.html

New Hampshire Department of Health

This local New Hampshire resource is continually updated with recommendations and data. https://www.nh.gov/covid19/

New Hampshire Judicial Branch https://www.courts.state.nh.us/

All Judicial Branch responses to the COVID-19 pandemic can be found on the COVID-19 Update and Resource page. https://www.courts.state.nh.us/aoc/corona-covid-19.html

Summary of Resources Discussing COVID 19

<u>Understanding COVID-19 and the Pandemic Designation</u> This blog post explains in non-medical jargon the whys of the **pandemic designation** and essential medical information for everyone to understand.

https://www.howardluksmd.com/sports-medicine/covid-19-update-3-14-2020-concerned-physicians-unite/

Professional Functioning

This article discusses **organizational leadership and managing COVID-19 panic**. https://www.forbes.com/sites/janbruce/2020/03/05/the-leaders-guide-to-managing-covid-19-panic/#726c5e5d59ea

Here are **tips for working remotely** from Fast Company:

https://www.fastcompany.com/90475330/8-strategies-to-set-up-remote-work-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak.

This article provides tips on **managing stress levels in the office**. https://www.abajournal.com/news/article/how-do-you-reduce-stress

Mental Health

This article shares specifics about **mental health and panic associated with COVID-19.** https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2020/03/11/coronavirus-and-your-mental-health-two-experts-explain-why-we-panic-and-how-to-cope.html

This article, published by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, reminds us that our mental health can suffer when we lose our sense of control. Find tips **for managing our mental health in troubling times**. https://afsp.org/taking-care-of-your-mental-health-in-the-face-of-uncertainty/

This article discusses the connection between anxiety and ethical choices.

http://www.psycholawlogy.com/2015/08/10/lawyer-anxiety-self-protective-behavior-ethical-sinkholes-and-professional-

responsibility/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Psycholawlogy+%28Psycholawlogy%29

Video Resource: *Fear Not: Speaking Out to End Stigma*. Its important to seek help for mental health and substance misuse when you need it.

https://www.americanbar.org/groups/lawyer assistance/profession wide anti stigma campaign/

Video Resource: *Erasing the Stigma*. 11 (very Short) videos dedicated to ending the stigma of mental illness. Stories of Hope and Inspiration. Proof of the power of sharing our stories. http://erasingthestigma.org/video/

Lawyers Depression Project: Online peers support for legal professionals https://www.lawyersdepressionproject.org/

Recovery

AA Online Meeting Directory http://aa-intergroup.org/directory.php

Al-Anon http://12stepforums.net/alanon family group online meeting.html

In the Rooms: An Online Addiction Recovery Community AA, NA, Dual Diagnosis, SAA (Sex

Addiction), CPA (Chronic Pain) http://intherooms.com

NA Online Meetings http://na-recovery.org/

Recovery Dharma "Healing From Addiction with Buddhist Practice"

http://recoverydharma.online/

Smart Recovery https://smartrecvoery.org/smart-recovery-toolbox/smart-recoveryonline/

Author Brian Cuban's blog "The Addicted Lawyer" offers **guidance and options for recovery meetings** including *In the Rooms*, an on-line recovery meeting resource.

http://briancuban.com/blog/responsible-recovery-in-pandemic-times/. Isolation can be an issue for many when events are cancelled, and human connections are lost. Brian addresses this at http://briancuban.com/blog/dealing-with-social-isolation/.

Misc.

What to do to keep busy. https://www.refinery29.com/en-us/2020/03/9552059/things-to-do-at-home-during-coronavirus-activities

12 Virtual Museum Tours. https://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours

Escape with Humor. https://www.vulture.com/2020/03/the-funniest-coronavirus-jokes.html