

SPEAKER FOCUSES ON TEEN SUBSTANCE ABUSE

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George Ross, an author, psychologist and speaker on teen substance abuse, will present a free program Oct. 27.

Ross, founding director of three nationally recognized substance abuse programs for teen-agers, will speak at 6:30 p.m. at Tates Creek Middle School, 1105 Centre Parkway. The event is open to the public.

He developed the Treating Adolescent Substance Abuse training program from his 15 years of experience in treating more than 1,000 chemically dependent youths and their families.

Ross, who operates a private practice and consulting business in Lexington, has conducted numerous workshops for professionals, business groups, civic clubs and churches.

He is also founding director of LIFE, Kids Helping Kids and Possibilities Unlimited, a sometimes-controversial drug treatment program that operated in Lexington for eight years. It closed in 1991 for financial reasons.

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