

The Opioid Crisis is Also a Jewish Problem

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 7:00 PM Location: Rosen Arts Center/Mintzes Theatre, Baltimore, MD

Speaker: Harry Nelson

The opioid crisis has forced national attention on the interwoven problems of overdose deaths, addiction, and chronic pain. While the coverage has primarily focused on "hot zones" in rural America, the profound underlying social challenges are also reverberating through the Jewish community. How should we understand and respond to the challenges? Do Jewish sources offer lessons or integrate with potential solutions? Drawing on his recent book, The United States of Opioids, Harry Nelson will offer ideas for addressing the issues in our own lives, as parents, educators, and community members.

The presentation will be followed by a Q&A with Dr. Zipora Schorr.

Based in Los Angeles, Harry Nelson is a healthcare lawyer and the author of "The United States of Opioids: A Prescription for Liberating a Nation in Pain" (Forbes 2019) and "From ObamaCare to TrumpCare: Why You Should Care" (2017). Since 2017, he has served on the Wexner Foundation's Heritage Alumni Council, and worked to call attention to addiction and related challenges in the Jewish community.