

The Huntington's Disease Society of America: social workers/support groups in New England

Social Workers:

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Support Groups:

- HDSA groups are caregiver only or mixed. Mixed refers to groups which are open to caregivers and people with or at risk for Huntington's disease.
- We highly recommend you contact the group leader before attending your first group as on rare occasions groups are cancelled due to weather or coverage. .

If you do not see a group near you contact Kara Keegan kkeegan@hdsa.org 508-446-7705

Massachusetts

Newton

Caregiver support group meets the 1st Saturday of even months 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. February, April, June, August, October, and December The Falls 2300 Washington Street Newton, MA 02462 Cheryl Sullivan- csull22@comcast.net or 603-809-4555

Boston

Mass General Support Group 55 Fruit Street Boston, Ma 02114

Cassandra Lund- clund1@partners.org or 617-643-7589

O'Keefe Auditorium-Please enter the main door of the hospital and ask for direction at the volunteer desk located on the lobby level.

This is a mixed group that Meets the 2nd Tuesday of even month from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. during the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December

South Shore

South Shore/ MA Support Group (mixed)
Meets 1st Wednesday of the month 6:00p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Braintree Rehab 1120 Washington Street Braintree
Meredith Tornaritis – mtornari@bidmc.harvard.edu

Northampton

Mixed support group meets 2nd Tuesday of every other month 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The Potpourri Plaza 241 King Street Northampton, MA 2nd floor Conference room Amy Fowler- afowlerpsyd@comcast.net or 413-582-3908

Beverly

Mixed support Group meets 3rd Saturday of the month 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Beverly Hospital Garden Conference Room 85 Herrick Street Beverly, MA 01915 Mirta Uliva- mirtas.ulivi@gmail.com or 978-317-2391

Tewksbury

Mixed support group meets 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Tewksbury Library 2nd floor study Room #1 300 Chandler Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 Cheryl Sullivan- csull22@comcast.net or 603-809-4555

Worcester

Mixed Group. Meets first Monday of the month 6:30 pm
UMASS Med Center 55 Lake Ave North, Worcester MA
Benedict Building
Kara Keegan kkeegan@hdsa.org 508-446-7705
Be sure to contact group leader first for parking and room details

Connecticut

Norwich

Mixed support group meets third Thursday of the month 6:00 pm to 7:30 William Backus Hospital 326 Washington St Norwich CT Deborah Pausig, LMFT,CT <u>debbiepausig.mft@gmail.com</u> 203-985-8246

North Haven

Mixed support group meets first Thursday of the month 6:30 to 8 5 Roger Ave North Haven CT Deborah Pausig, LMFT,CT <u>debbiepausig.mft@gmail.com</u> 203-985-8246

Fairfield

Mary Dunleavy LMSW Operation Hope 636 Old Post Road Fairfield, CT 7pm to 8:30pm 203-216-6266 marydun@att.net Meets the Last Thursday of the month

Maine

Augusta

Mixed support group meets the 4th Wed of the month 7 pm to 8:30 Augusta General Hospital Augusta ME Conference Room 2

Margo West Margo.west1@gmail.com 207-944-2912

Rhode Island

East Providence
Caregivers group meets 3rd Tues of the month 6:30 pm to 8
Waterview Villa 1275 South Broadway East Providence, RI
Jean Baxendale jeanmbax@msn.com 401-487-8621

Providence

Mixed group meets first Tues. of the month 6:30 to 8:00

Rhode Island Hospital 19 Eddy St Providence RI in Private dining room cafeteria 1, 2, 3

Maureen Hebert moemsw99@aol.com 401-368-5123

Vermont

Colchester

Mixed support group meets 2nd Tues of the month 5:00 to 6:30 Vermont Medical Center Fannie Allen Campus 790 College Parkway Colchester VT Dunbar Room Free Parking Lori.McKenna@uvmhealth.org and/or Jeanette.Baker@uvmhealth.org

New Hampshire

Lebanon

Mixed Group meets first Wed of the month 6 pm to 7:30 pm Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center 1 Medical Center Drive Lebanon NH Diane Sherman Diane.L.Sherman@Hitchcock.org 603-653-6672

CLICK HERE to find online support Groups

If you would like to start a support group, contact Anne Leserman, HDSA Community Services Manager at aleserman@hdsa.org.