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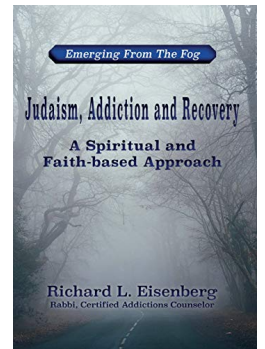
With BEKI Member and Author

Rabbi Richard L. Eisenberg

Thursday August 8 at 7 PM
at Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel 85 Harrison Street New Haven
In the George G. Posener Daily
BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



Judaism, Addiction and Recovery, Rabbi Eisenberg's newly published book, describes the spiritual fog of addiction that engulfs Jewish individuals, family members and communities. The book proposes ways to address the social, medical and spiritual crisis of addiction, including treatment and self-help models that need not be limited to a 12 Step orientation. The author also shares practical suggestions and tips for anyone effected by the disease of addiction. Jewish texts and sources are interwoven throughout the volume as tools for developing a deeper and broader understanding of the issues at hand.



Rabbi Richard L. Eisenberg is well known at BEKI and in the greater Connecticut Jewish community. Born in Bridgeport, Rabbi Eisenberg received ordination from JTS in 1982 and went on to serve as a congregational rabbi spanning 35 years at synagogues in Georgia, New Jersey, Woodbridge and Torrington CT. He also worked for 10 years as a rehabilitation counselor at The APT Foundation in New Haven, where he provided therapy for people diagnosed with substance use disorders. He received his Certificate in Drug and Alcohol Counseling from Gateway Community College in 2007 and is a certified addictions counselor. Rabbi Eisenberg has been active in the Rabbinic Assembly where he has served on numerous councils and committees. He was involved in ecumenical clergy associations in each of his communities and has devoted himself to interfaith work. His current focus is applying Jewish principles and values of spirituality to addictions treatment as well as conveying the message and power of recovery to Jewish communal life.

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