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## **ONE DAY WORKSHOP FOR ADDICTION PROFESSIONALS**

(Lihu'e, Hawai'i, May 1, 2006) – Kaua'i Planning & Action Alliance (KPAA) is offering a one-day workshop for substance abuse counselors, mental health professionals, social workers and those who would like to become certified substance abuse counselors (CSACs).

“**Critical Thinking for Addiction Professionals**” will be led by Michael J. Taleff, PhD, CSAC, MAC on **May 9, 2006** from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott, Waipouli Beach, Kapa'a. Taleff is well known in the field of addiction and treatment. He is an instructor at the University of Hawai'i and his latest book is also called *Critical Thinking for Addiction Professionals*.

The workshop will satisfy the requirements for 6.5 hours of continuing education credits for substance abuse counselors and other mental health professionals. The cost is \$20.00 and includes continental breakfast, lunch, and training materials. Payment is required by Friday, May 5.

“This training is designed to help build skills among the island's substance abuse counselors and others combating the epidemic of “ice” and other illegal drugs,” according to Diane Zachary, President and CEO of the Kaua'i Planning & Action Alliance.

Registration information is posted on KPAA's website at [www.kauainetwork.org](http://www.kauainetwork.org). For questions, please contact training coordinator, Jude Chamberlin, at 635-0061 or KPAA's office in Lihu'e at 632-2005.

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