



September 15, 2024

**For church leaders:****How to Negotiate a Call Agreement**

Nov. 19th—7:00—9:00pm via Zoom

Church leaders: whether your church is getting ready to call a new pastor, make a change to your current pastor's agreement, or you're anticipating a retirement in the coming years, this workshop is for you. You'll learn about the various elements found in our standard PSEC call agreement, the process we use to create the agreement, common problems, and how to negotiate the details from a position of knowledge and wisdom. For more information and to register, go to the PSEC website ([psec.org](http://psec.org)) and click on the Calendar under the Events & News tab. Go to Nov.19th and click on the event.


**From the Addiction & Recovery Taskforce:  
Dual Diagnosis**

In 2020, 17 million U.S. adults had a co-occurring mental health disorder and substance use disorder (Cleveland Clinic). This dual diagnosis means that both must be addressed. Which comes first may vary from person to person. A highly anxious person may use a substance to deal with social situations. An addicted person may become depressed with their life situation. It is important to refer people to an appropriate source of therapy for both the addiction and the mental health disorder. Learn the resources in your community.

**Prepare Now for the PSEC Fall meeting  
Register for Keystone Study Group Town Halls**

Due to the complex nature of the possible merger, town hall meetings on the subject have been broken into three topics:

Timeline, Staffing, Finance / Timeline, PA UCC Mission Focus /  
Timeline, Associations.

There are four opportunities to attend a webinar on each of the above topics. They will be hosted by different conferences, but each opportunity is available to all. The schedule is below. You can also find this information on our website on the Keystone Study Group page under Resources.

**Timeline, Staffing, Finance—3 options left**

Mon. Sept. 16th @10:00 am, hosted by PW

Tues. Sept. 17th @ 10:30 am, hosted by PNEC

Monday, Sept. 23rd @ 6:30 pm, hosted by PCC

**Timeline, PA UCC Mission Focus**

Thurs. Sept. 19 @10:30 am, hosted by PNEC

Tues. Sept. 24 @ 2:00 pm, hosted by PSEC

Tues. Oct. 1 @ 6:30 pm, hosted by PCC

Tues. Oct. 22 @ 1:00 pm, hosted by PWC

**Timeline, Associations**

Thurs. Oct. 10 @ 6:30 pm, hosted by PNEC

Tues. Oct. 15 @ 6:30 pm, hosted by PSEC

Wed. Oct. 23 @ 3:00 pm, hosted by PCC

Thurs. Oct. 24 @ 6:30 pm, hosted by PWC

To register and obtain the zoom link, simply go to [psec.org](http://psec.org), under the Events & News tab click the calendar and go to the date of the meeting you are interested in for more information.

**SAVE THE DATE:****PSEC Fall Meeting—Nov. 9th @ 10:00 am**

@ Good Shepherd UCC/Tuckerton (Reading, PA)

Votes will be taken on: 1. 2025 PSEC Budget

2. Possible UCC PA Conference Merger