



Members: Membership in SMEDA includes both professionals and community members who have been touched by someone with an eating disorder. It could be a daughter, a student, a patient, a client--anyone involved in this illness. Professionals include persons providing therapy, nutritional counseling, and/or medical care; working together as a team to help people with eating disorders.

The Organization: *The mission of the Southwest Michigan Eating Disorder Association (SMEDA)* is to use education to prevent eating disorders among people in Southwest Michigan and to improve the identification of, and treatment outcomes for, those with eating disorders.

SMEDA's Goals:

- To *educate* the public in our community about anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa and other eating disorders
- To *educate* professionals in our community about eating disorders and their diagnosis and treatment
- To *advocate* for better detection and care for patients suffering from eating disorders
- To *further the knowledge and expertise* of SMEDA's members and others who work with persons who have eating disorders so they can better serve the community.

About, **SMEDA Lakeshore:** We meet on the third Tuesday of each month at Well of GRACE Ministries in Stevensville (5707 Red Arrow Hwy). The meetings begin at 9:00am and last for approximately one hour. We invite professionals involved in the care and treatment of patients with eating disorders or who have an interest in becoming involved in this area to join us.

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