



RESOLUTION #FY 2017-30

Responding to Ohio's Opiate Epidemic

May 22, 2017

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Wood County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board are committed to leading Wood County in advancing recovery to achieve health and wellness.

**WHEREAS**, Ohio leads the nation in opioid overdose deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, an average of eight people die as a result of a drug overdose each day in Ohio, one death every three hours; and

**WHEREAS**, opiate prescription rates have decreased, but heroin, fentanyl, and carfentanyl continue to be more and more accessible; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the Wood County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board urge the Governor of the State of Ohio, the Ohio General Assembly, and Ohio's Congressional Delegation to declare the opiate epidemic an emergency, prioritizing the needs of Ohioans impacted by opioid addiction by dramatically increasing investments in prevention, treatment, recovery support, education, and interdiction efforts to end this epidemic.

Board Members	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Beverley Hirzel	X			
Casey Cromwell			X	
John Alexander	X			
Cary Wise			X	
Doug Cubberley	X			
Patrick Wise	X			
Randy Rothenbuhler	X			
Leanne Eby	X			
Marc Jensen	X			
Allen Baer	X			
Sue Moore	X			
Stan Korducki	X			
Jennifer Cumming	X			
Erin Hachtel	X			
Tom Kiger	X			

This is being offered as a motion by the Program and Outcomes Committee, Allen Baer seconded. This resolution is adopted by the majority of the Board. Resolution passed.

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 Tom Kiger  
 Board Chair  
 Wood County ADAMHS Board

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 J. Thomas Clemons  
 Executive Director  
 Wood County ADAMHS Board