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Residents Invited to Participate in Town Hall Meeting about Drugs

Westminster, MD (July 19, 2016) – The Carroll County Health Department invites the public to attend a Town Hall meeting entitled “From Pills to Street Drugs: The Heroin Epidemic”, on Wednesday, July 27th, from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. in the Reagan Room of the Carroll County Office Building, 225 North Center Street, Westminster.

The Town Hall format will allow people to ask questions and share stories about their own experiences with heroin and opioids. To begin the program, Karl C. Colder, Special Agent in Charge, from the Drug Enforcement Administration, will give a short keynote speech. Then several state and local public health, government, and law enforcement authorities will serve as panelists to answer questions and have a discussion with residents concerned about drug issues in Carroll County.

“I encourage Carroll County residents to come join our discussion about cooperative efforts to combat the ever-evolving opioid drug problem, and to learn about current initiatives and future plans,” said Ed Singer, Carroll County Health Officer. “Your input is important to our community’s response.”

The Town Hall discussion panelists include Dr. Howard Haft, Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services, and Dr. Gayle Jordan-Randolph, Deputy Secretary for Behavioral Health, from the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; Stephen Wantz, President of the Carroll County Board of Commissioners; Brian DeLeonardo, Carroll County State’s Attorney; James DeWees, Carroll County Sheriff; Sharon Sanders, Vice President of Clinical Integration at Carroll Hospital, a Lifebridge Health Center; and Sue Doyle, Director of the Bureau of Prevention, Wellness, and Recovery at the Carroll County Health Department.

Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call 410-876-4800 or visit the Carroll County Health Department’s website at <http://cchd.maryland.gov>

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