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PICKENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION TRAINING (NARCAN)

On August 11, 2017 at 10AM, Pickens County Sheriff Rick Clark will lead deputies in critical ongoing training to better prepare officers combatting the deadly opioid epidemic sweeping our country and here at home. In recent years, there has been a significant increase in deaths resulting from heroin and prescription opioids. This epidemic has spread across South Carolina, including Pickens County.

The enactment of ACT 139 - "David's Law"- provides first responders, friends and families access to naloxone, (Narcan) an opioid overdose reversal medicine. Medical leaders say the drug save lives and could lead toward substance abuse treatment.

In response to this crisis and training, Sheriff Rick Clark said, "Pickens County is committed to helping our citizens who are struggling with drug abuse and saving the lives of those who end up in situations where they could die from opioid overdose. Narcan training is just one tool we're using to fight this epidemic and I believe our ongoing training gives us that additional knowledge we need while out on the streets facing addicted citizens every day."

Sheriff Rick Clark will lead the Narcan training on August 11th from 10AM-12Noon in the Pickens County Council chambers at 222 McDaniel Ave., in Pickens. Then there is a second training session, led by Chief Deputy Creed Hashe from 2PM-4PM.

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