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SARATOGA COUNTY TO PROVIDE FREE NARCAN TRAINING & DISTRIBUTION AT MOREAU COMMUNITY CENTER HEALTH FAIR

MOREAU, NY – Saratoga County will provide free Narcan training during the Moreau Community Center's Health Fair on May 4th from 1pm to 5pm. The Moreau Community Center is location at 144 Main Street, South Glens Falls, NY 12803.

Training takes approximately 10 minutes, during which participants will learn how to recognize an opioid overdose and administer nasal Narcan. Participants will receive a free Narcan rescue kit, which includes two doses of Narcan, a rescue breathing face shield, a certificate of training, a drug disposal system, and a mental health and substance use disorder resource guide.

Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr., (Moreau) Chairman of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors said, "We've made fighting the scourge of opioids in our communities a priority in Saratoga County through a multi-agency approach focused on prevention, education, and response measures. I'm proud to host a second Narcan training and distribution event in Moreau as part of the County's opioid response efforts and to get these lifesaving tools in the hands of our residents. I encourage everyone to visit the Saratoga County Department of Health table at the Moreau Community Center Health Fair—in less than ten minutes, our experienced Department of Health staff can provide you with resources that may help save someone's life."

Naloxone, sold under the brand name Narcan, is a safe medication that can save someone's life by reversing the effects of an opioid overdose. It only works on opioids, such as heroin, prescription pain medications and fentanyl, but it is safe to use even if opioids are not present. 911 should always be called after administering Naloxone. New York State's Good Samaritan Law allows people to call 911 without fear of arrest if they are having a drug overdose that requires emergency medical care or if they witness someone overdosing.

Residents who are unable to attend the health fair can request an overdose rescue kit and view upcoming distribution events at www.saratogacountyny.gov/narcan.

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