

## Opioid/Heroin Addiction Information Sheet

### Some startling statistics from the National Center for Disease Control (CDC):

- More than six out of ten drug overdose deaths involve an opioid (source: CDC)
- Since 1999, the number of overdose deaths involving opioids (including prescription opioids and heroin) has quadrupled (source: CDC)
- From 2000 to 2015 more than half a million people died from drug overdoses (source: CDC)
- 91 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose (source: CDC)
- Since 2010, there has been a 3-fold increase in heroine-related overdose deaths in the U.S. (source: CDC)
- The number of drug overdose deaths from synthetic opioids more than doubled between 2016 and 2017 in the U.S. (source: CDC's Center on National Health Statistics)
- Overdose deaths from synthetic opioids have increased by 135 percent in New York State in just one year (source: CDC's Center on National Health Statistics)

### What are Opioids?

Opioids are medicines used to relieve pain. They can be natural (from the poppy plant) or synthetic (manufactured).

What do opioids do?

- Reduce and relieve pain
- Can create a sense of euphoria
- HIGHLY habit-forming and addictive

Some common prescription opioids:

- **Hydrocodone (Ex: Vicodin, Lortab); Oxycodone (Ex: OxyContin), Percocet** - Commonly prescribed for a variety of painful conditions, including dental and injury-related pain
- **Morphine** - Often used before and after surgical procedures to alleviate severe pain
- **Fentanyl** - 50-100 times more potent than Morphine; Used to treat severe pain, often in patch form
- **Codeine** - Often prescribed for mild pain; Can also be used to relieve coughs

## What is Heroin?

Heroin is an illegal narcotic, which comes from the opium poppy flower, and is used recreationally to achieve effects similar to those caused by prescription opioids.

Heroin relieves pain. It produces an instant rush of good feelings and happiness, followed by a slow, dreamlike euphoria. It can look like a white or brown powder, or black tar.

It is most commonly injected, but can be snorted or smoked too. Regardless of method, it gets to the brain fast.

HEROIN IS HIGHLY ADDICTIVE – The user quickly builds a tolerance for it and will need more each time to feel the same results.

- Heroin is stronger, cheaper, and easier to get than prescription pills
  - Also more dangerous – you never know what it is cut/mixed with

## What is Fentanyl?

- Pharmaceutical fentanyl is a synthetic opioid pain reliever, approved for treating severe pain, typically advanced cancer pain
- It is 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine
- It is prescribed in the form of trans-dermal patches or lozenges and can be diverted for misuse and abuse

However, most recent cases of fentanyl-related harm, overdose, and death in the U.S. are linked to illegally made fentanyl. It is sold through illegal drug markets for its heroin-like effect. It is often mixed with heroin and/or cocaine as a combination product—with or without the user's knowledge—to increase its euphoric effects. Just three milligrams of fentanyl can be fatal, compared to 30 milligrams of heroin.

Sources: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov); [www.oasas.ny.gov](http://www.oasas.ny.gov)

## Local Substance Abuse Resources

### Treatment –NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) licensed programs:

Baywood Center, 551 Bay Rd, #2, Queensbury, NY 12804, (518) 310-4119

Glens Falls Hospital Center for Recovery (Glens Falls) , 101 Ridge St., Glens Falls, NY 12801, (518) 926-7200

Glens Falls Center for Recovery (Hudson Falls), 340 Main St., Hudson Falls, NY 12839, (518) 747-8001

Conifer Park Outpatient Services, 55 Elm St., Glens Falls, NY 12801, (518) 793-7273

### Prevention/Nalaxone (Narcan) training:

The Council for Prevention, 10 La Cross St, Suite 1, Hudson Falls, NY 12839, (518) 746-1527

### Recovery:

Friends of Recovery Warren Washington, (518)223-6127, [forwwc@gmail.com](mailto:forwwc@gmail.com)

Hope and Healing Recovery Community Center, 2 Maple St., Hudson Falls, NY 12839, (518) 480-5499

Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health Dual Recovery Program, 230 Maple St., Suite 2, Glens Falls, NY 12801, (518) 793-2352, contact: Cliff Green

### Additional information/referral:

The Office of Community Services for Warren and Washington Counties, 230 Maple St., Suite 1, Glens Falls, NY 12801, (518) 792-7143

### NYS OASAS HOPE-line (available 24 hours/ 7 days)

1-877-8-HOPENY (1-877-846-7369)

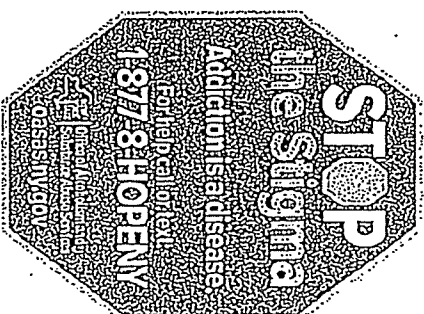
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# RESOURCES

- Link to NYS OASAS <http://www.oasas.ny.gov/index.cfm>
- Link to Talk2Prevent <http://talk2prevent.ny.gov/>
- Link to Combat Heroin <http://www.combatheroin.ny.gov/>
- Link to the Kitchen Table Toolkit <http://www.combatheroin.ny.gov/kitchen-table-toolkit>
- Information on Good Samaritan law <http://www.combatheroin.ny.gov/prevention>
- Spotlight on Synthetics <http://www.oasas.ny.gov/AdMed/drugs/Synthetics.cfm>
- Download Combat Heroin materials <http://www.combatheroin.ny.gov/resources>

Reach out to your **LOCAL PREVENTION and TREATMENT PROVIDERS!!!**

OASAS Provider Directory: <https://www.oasas.ny.gov/providerDirectory>



SPREAD THE WORD



Office of Alcoholism and  
Substance Abuse Services

Combat Heroin  
and Prescription  
Drug Abuse

# Find help and hope

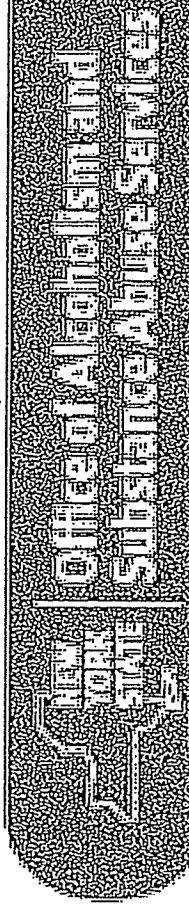
for alcoholism, drug abuse or problem gambling

Call or Text

# 1-877-8-HOPENY

Text: HOPENY (467369) 1-877-846-7369

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[www.oasas.ny.gov](http://www.oasas.ny.gov)

# Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired medications

Now PERMANENT DROP BOXES

Any prescription or over-the-counter medication (No needles)

## WASHINGTON COUNTY

*Open Lobby Hours*

Washington County Law Enforcement Center

299 Broadway • Fort Edward • 747-4623

**Whitehall Police Department**

57 Skeneborough Drive • Whitehall • 749-1316

**Cambridge Police Department**

16 North Park Street • Cambridge • 677-3044

**Greenwich Police Department**

6 Academy Street • Greenwich • 692-9362

**Fort Edward Police Department**

148 Broadway • Fort Edward • 747-6365

**Hudson Falls Police Department**

218 Main Street • Hudson Falls • 747-4011

**Granville Police Department**

54 Quaker Street • Granville • 642-1414

If you are unable to get to a drop box, call the police department about coming to pick up the medication.

## WARREN COUNTY

*Open Lobby Hours*

Warren County Sheriff's Office

1400 Route 9 • Lake George • 743-2500

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**Glens Falls City Police Department**

42 Ridge St Glens Falls • 761-3840



COUNCIL FOR PREVENTION

[www.councilforprevention.org](http://www.councilforprevention.org)



For more information, please call 1-800-452-1111

**Franklin County**

Franklin County Sheriff's Office  
 45 Bare Hill Rd, Malone 463-6785

Saranac Lake Police Department  
 1 Main St, Saranac Lake 891-4422

Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Police  
 412 State Route 37, Akwesasne 358-2272

**Warren County**

Warren County Sheriff's Office  
 1400 Route 9, Lake George 743-2500

Glens Falls City Police Department  
 42 Ridge St, Glens Falls 761-3840

**Washington County**

Washington County Law Enforcement Center  
 309 Broadway, Fort Edward 747-4623

Whitehall Police Department  
 57 Skenesborough Dr, Whitehall 499-1316

Cambridge Police Department  
 56 North Park St, Cambridge 677-0344

Greenwich Police Department  
 6 Academy St, Greenwich 692-9332

Fort Edward Police Department  
 118 Broadway, Fort Edward 747-6365

Hudson Falls Police Department  
 210 Main Street, Hudson Falls 747-4011

Granville Police Department  
 51 Quaker Street, Granville 642-1414

**Montgomery County**

Walgreens  
 4999 NY-30, Amsterdam 843-6661

**Albany County**

New York State Police Troop G  
 760 Troy Schenectady Rd, Latham 783-3211

Albany City Police Department  
 165 Henry Johnson Blvd, Albany 462-8013

**Plattsburgh Police Department**

Plattsburgh Police Department  
 45 Pine St, Plattsburgh 583-3411

**Hamilton County**

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office  
 102 County View Dr, Lake Pleasant 548-3113

**New York State Police Troop B - Ray Brook**

New York State Police Troop B - Ray Brook  
 1097 State Route 86, Ray Brook 897-2000

Ticonderoga Sheriff's Department  
 135 Burgoyne Rd, Ticonderoga 585-3456

Essex County Sheriff's Office  
 702 Stowersville Rd, Lewis 673-6321

**Saratoga County**

Saratoga Springs Police Department  
 474 Broadway, Saratoga Springs 584-1800

Saratoga County Sheriff's Office  
 6010 County Farm Rd, Ballston Spa 885-6761

**Fulton County**

Fulton County Sheriff's Office  
 2712 State Highway 29, Johnstown 736-2100

**Nassau County**

Nassau Pharmacy  
 3541 US Highway 20, Nassau 766-2707

North Greenbush Police Department  
 133 Blooming Grove Rd, N. Greenbush 583-5323

**Coxsackie Police Department**

Village of Coxsackie Police Department  
 119 Manson St, Coxsackie 731-8121

Kelly's Pharmacy  
 4852 State Route 81, Greenville 965-4800