# Addressing the Heroin/Opioid Epidemic

The number of people now facing heroin and opioid dependency has grown dramatically, and the crisis has been labeled as a "public health emergency" in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Fairfax County is not immune from this epidemic.

The CSB and partners have a broad range of services and activities to address this growing problem.

#### Walk-in screenings

Available to youth and adults at the Merrifield Center (8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, 703-383-8500, TTY 711) for mental health and substance use services, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Youth walk-in evaluations are offered during this time and also until 7 p.m. on Tuesdays.

#### Detoxification services

The Fairfax Detoxification Center is a short-term residential substance abuse program for adults to safely detoxify from the effects of drugs and/or alcohol (4213 Walney Road, Chantilly, 703-502-7000, TTY 703-322-9080). Services include medication to help with withdrawal from opioids. Detox Diversion is a mobile team of CSB staff which responds to police and community requests to intervene at the scene of a potential arrest to refer the individual instead to detoxification services. The Addiction Medicine Clinic at the CSB's Merrifield Center provides medication-assisted detoxification services and substance abuse treatment to adults in an outpatient setting.

#### Treatment

The CSB provides a broad range of treatment services for opioid addiction, including outpatient, intensive outpatient, day treatment, residential, medication-assisted treatment, peer support and community support services. A Substance Abuse Prevention program is offered in some schools.

## REVIVE! training

Throughout the community, CSB provides REVIVE! training, a program of the Commonwealth of Virginia that makes naloxone (Narcan®) available to lay rescuers to reverse opioid overdoses. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov and search 'revive' for more information, including the schedule of classes.

#### Encouraging proper drug disposal

CSB and the Fairfax County Health Department offer drug disposal kits for residents to safely dispose of excess or unused medications to prevent their misuse. Each Fairfax County Police station has drug takeback boxes. Fairfax County also encourages participation in Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's drug take-back program. Visit https://knowrx.org for a complete list of local drug take-back boxes.

# Help is available now

#### In emergency situations (24/7)

- CSB Emergency Services 703-573-5679, TTY 711
- Fairfax Detoxification Center 703-502-7000, TTY 703-322-9080

### Call 911 for a life-threatening emergency.

#### **During business hours**

 If it's not an emergency, call CSB Entry & Referral Services at 703-383-8500 (TTY 711) during business hours to find out more about accessing CSB services.