

# KNOCK OUT OPIOID ABUSE

Dec. 5, 2017  
Kean University STEM  
Building Auditorium  
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



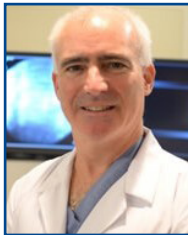
**Moderator: Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders**  
**Welcome: Steven Peskin, MD, Executive Medical Director, Population Health, Horizon BCBSNJ**

## Union County Knock Out Opioid Abuse Town Hall Panel



**State Senator-Elect Sheriff Joseph Cryan**

State Senator-elect Joseph Cryan has served as Union County Sheriff since January 2015. He had previously served as a state assemblyman for 12 years. In response to the opioid epidemic that has touched all communities, Sheriff Cryan and his officers have partnered with the Union County Prosecutor's Office, the Union County Police Department and Prevention Links in a program sponsored by the Board of Freeholders known as CLEAR (Community Law Enforcement Addiction Recovery). The initiative is designed to allow willing participants to access treatment through law enforcement channels.



**Dr. Andrew Kaufman**

Dr. Andrew Kaufman is the Director of University Hospital Comprehensive Pain Center, as well as the Medical Director of Overlook Medical Center Pain Clinic. Kaufman was honored as the only New Jersey pain management physician to be recognized as "top doc" in New York Magazine's 2012 Top Doctors issue. He also was named among New York Magazine/Castle Connolly's Metropolitan Area Best Pain Management Physicians in 2013 and 2014.



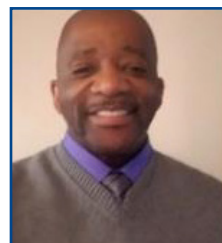
**Mariel Hufnagel**

Mariel Hufnagel is the Executive Director at The Ammon Foundation. She previously has worked as an advocacy organizer with the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence – NJ (NCADD-NJ) and as the National Chapter Department Manager for Young People in Recovery. She has been recognized locally and nationally with numerous awards and featured by numerous media outlets. Mariel is currently a full-time student at Kean University pursuing her master's degree in public administration.



**Thomas K. Isenhour, Union County Acting Prosecutor**

Thomas K. Isenhour was sworn in as Acting Prosecutor of Union County in September 2017. A career prosecutor since joining the Union County Prosecutor's Office in 1984, Isenhour previously served as first assistant prosecutor. He also supervised many of the office's most high-profile investigative teams, including the Child Abuse Unit; Special Prosecutions Unit; and the Guns, Gangs, Drugs and Violent Crimes Task Force. Isenhour is a graduate of George Washington University's National Law Center.



**Alton Robinson**

Alton Robinson is the Lead Peer Recovery Specialist for The Center for Addiction Recovery Education & Success (CARES – NJ) and a person in long-term recovery. He is considered an expert in recovery support services, advocacy and treatment referrals and has shared his expertise on the stigma of addiction as a guest speaker at several forums on the opioid crisis. Robinson has led many naloxone training programs in his work with CARES-NJ, and he has helped more than 400 people enter recovery in the past year.



**Pam Capaci**

Pam Capaci has served as Executive Director/CEO for Prevention Links since November 2007. She started her career as an alcohol and drug counselor working with adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system and their families. Pam later became an advocate and community organizer developing drug-free community coalitions throughout New Jersey. She is recognized as the founder of New Jersey's first public high school for teens in recovery from substance use disorder, the Raymond J. Lesniak Experience Strength and Hope Recovery High School.

## Collaborating Organizations:

