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<u>*MEDIA ADVISORY*</u> WAYNE TOWNSHIP TO HOST OVERDOSE RESCUE TRAINING TONIGHT

INDIANAPOLIS – In an effort to help prevent overdose deaths in the community, the Wayne Township Trustee's Office is hosting a free Naloxone training **TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m.**

Led by the <u>Overdose Lifeline</u>, the session is free and open to the public. It will focus on the disease model of substance use disorder and addiction, opioids, and how Naloxone works in the body. Participants will also learn how to administer the overdose rescue nasal spray and be given supplies.

According to the Marion County Health Department, there are approximately 20 drug overdose patients each day in Marion County and 2-3 deaths. In addition to ramping up public education efforts, in recent months Wayne Township Trustee Jeb Bardon has installed six overdose rescue boxes throughout the township supplied with free Narcan nasal spray and Fentanyl test strips supplied by the Overdose Lifeline to help combat the growing crisis.

WHAT:	Free Overdose Rescue Training
WHEN:	Tonight - Wednesday, August 16, 2023 6:00 p.m.
WHERE:	Wayne Township Fire Department Training Center 6448 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis, Ind.

For more information call 317-246-6269 or visit <u>www.WayneTwp.org</u>.

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