



PRESS RELEASE FOR LOCAL MEDIA
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To: Local News Media
From: Isabella County Substance Abuse Coalition
RE: Isabella County Drug Abuse Symposium
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Mt. Pleasant – A Drug Abuse Symposium, titled “**Drugs: Know the Truth**” will be held on **Wednesday, March 26th, 2014 from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Commission on Aging (2200 S. Lincoln Road in Mt. Pleasant).** Featured speakers include:

Lt. Mark Uribe, detective for Bay Area Narcotics Enforcement Team (BAYANET), will be speaking about Heroin.

FAN – Families Against Narcotics, will bring their families stories of anguish, pain and loss due to addiction to prescription medications, especially narcotics/opiates (pain and sleep meds).

Dr. Daniel Wilkerson, MD. Is the Director of Emergency Medicine at McLaren Central Michigan. He has more than 10 years of experience practicing emergency medicine and will be speaking about substance use related incidence in the emergency room.

Christina Osawabine, will share her experience with addiction and loss of her son, Alex, due to a drug overdose.

Officer Mike Covarrubias, will be speaking about drug identification.

This event is free of charge and is being sponsored by Michigan State Police, Central Michigan District Health Department, Ten Sixteen Recovery Network, MidMichigan Health, McLaren Central Michigan and the Isabella County Substance Abuse Coalition. Refreshments will be served. **To register, please call (989) 773-5921 ext. 8440 or email kschiavi@cmdhd.org.**

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