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## Alliance of Coalitions for Healthy Communities Expands Free Narcan Trainings

**Auburn Hills, Michigan**– The Alliance of Coalitions for Healthy Communities expands their Save A Life Free Community Narcan Trainings to include all local Oakland County businesses and encourages Oakland County located Chambers of Commerce and business networking organizations to connect. In our efforts to combat the opioid epidemic, we recognize that Narcan should be a tool in every First Aid Kit. Narcan is the first and only FDA-approved nasal form of naloxone for the emergency treatment of a known or suspected opioid overdose.

Thanks to continued funding through Oakland Community Health Network, the Alliance offers free community Narcan trainings across the county. For a list of these events and family/recovery support groups, please visit <u>www.achcmi.org/events</u> or contact Tracy Chirikas, Community Relations Manager to schedule your business training. Email: tchirikas@achcmi.org or call the office at (248) 221-7101

The Alliance supports that there are multiple pathways leading to addiction resulting in multiple pathways for help. As per the Oakland County Medical Examiner, in 2018, through collaborative efforts and interventions, Oakland County has seen a 28% reduction in opioid overdose death rates since 2017. Individuals seeking help can go directly to the Sober Support Unit located at 1200N. Telegraph Road, Building 32 E, Pontiac. It is open 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. For more information, call 248 456 8144.

## About Alliance of Coalitions for Healthy Communities

The Alliance of Coalitions for Healthy Communities' is a substance misuse prevention and wellness organization that supports a 19-coalition prevention partnership in Oakland County. Predominantly funded by Oakland Community Health Network, the Alliance also provides multiple family and recovery support groups. Through substance abuse prevention, mental and physical wellness, and recovery support programs, the Alliance connects, strengthens, and mobilizes strategic partners to promote healthier communities. www.achcmi.org. For all events, go to achcmi.org/events