



Office of County Executive Steven R. Schuh

NOT MY CHILD...a community conversation regarding today's prevalent use of prescription drugs, addiction and heroin. Why are our youth overdosing and dying? AWARENESS = PREVENTION

NOT MY CHILD's focus is to provide the facts regarding gateway drugs, the abuse of prescription drugs and how an addiction escalates to heroin use. Heroin does not discriminate. All families have the potential to be caught up in the web of addiction. Get the facts, know the triggers, and learn who to call for help. The NOT MY CHILD discussion taking place in our communities provides an open, honest conversation regarding the use of drugs by children and adults in our communities. NOT MY CHILD is a collaborative effort supported by multiple county agencies, non-profits and community members working together to educate parents, families and communities on the impact of addiction on the individual, family and community. Be aware that drugs are in all our communities and identify how you can protect your family.

The presentation begins with a short 8-minute video introducing the audience to county residents that have been impacted by substance abuse. A panel discussion follows the video with a Q & A from the audience. The Office of Constituents facilitates the panel discussion consisting of:

Nancy Schrum, Director, Office of Constituent Services
Moderator
Panel Members:

1. Parent of child in recovery or parent that has lost a child to an overdose
2. A young person in recovery
3. Prevention Specialist, Anne Arundel County Medical Center, Pathways
4. Environmental Health Educator, Anne Arundel County Health Department
5. Mobile Crisis, Anne Arundel Mental Health Agency
6. Anne Arundel County Police Department
7. Anne Arundel County Fire Department
8. State's Attorney's Office

"NOT MY CHILD" video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=45Tl_bFb7-0&t=1s

"NOT MY CHILD" PSA link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCMxWBdWnHE>

"NOT MY CHILD" Resource Directory: <http://www.aacounty.org/services-and-programs/not-my-child-program>

To schedule an event or for additional information contact: Nancy Schrum, Director, Office of Constituent Services, at (410) 222-1527; or exschr00@aacounty.org