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Butler Borough Recognizes Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day

Mayor Robert Alviene and the Butler Borough Council are pleased to announce that on Friday, October 6, Butler Borough will join thousands of prevention and treatment professionals, public health professionals, students and concerned residents to raise awareness about the opioid epidemic impacting our state on the second annual Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day.

The initiative, cosponsored by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey, is designed to bring attention to the opioid crisis facing the state, and the steps residents can take to stop the epidemic. The New Jersey Senate and General Assembly responded following the first event in 2016 by unanimously approving joint legislation designating October 6 as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day in New Jersey.

On Friday, October 6 and throughout the month, the Butler Borough Health Department will distribute information about the importance of properly disposing expired or leftover prescriptions and the location of prescription drop boxes. In addition, a large banner bringing attention to the opioid epidemic will hang at the Butler Borough Municipal Building on Ace Road, and residents and medical practitioners will be provided with literature regarding the epidemic.

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