CUYAHOGA COUNTY
MEDICAL EXAMINER’S OFFICE
Heroin & Fentanyl Related Deaths in Cuyahoga County

JULY 7, 2016
CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

No. of Fatal Cases due to heroin/fentanyl in June – 31

18 - City of Cleveland Residents
13 - Suburban Residents- Brook Park (3), Lakewood (2), Newburgh Hts., North Royalton, Parma, Rocky River (2), Shaker Hts., and (2) out of County residents – Eastlake and Northfield Center.

VICTIMS
Victims’ ages range from 21 – 67
22 Male victims; 9 Female victims
4 African American victims; 27 Caucasian victims; (1 Hispanic victim)

EXPONENTIAL RATE OF INCREASE

In 2015, one person died every day in Cuyahoga County from a drug overdose.

In 2016, during January and February, one person died every day in Cuyahoga County from a heroin or fentanyl overdose. January was a record for fentanyl deaths, broken again in February. Starting March 10, 2016 to months end, two people died every day in Cuyahoga County from a heroin or fentanyl overdose as well as from May 25th until the end of the month and set a new record for fentanyl deaths. At least 228 victims have died already in 2016, equaling all of 2015.

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16
Cuyahoga County Deaths per Day due to Heroin and Fentanyl or in Combination

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16

Represents 228 heroin/fentanyl deaths out of 370 total OD deaths

Represents a projected rate of 821 heroin/fentanyl deaths

Represents a projected 498 heroin/fentanyl deaths
CCMEO 2016 Fentanyl & Heroin Related Deaths, by Month (MidYear)

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16
Heroin and Fentanyl related Overdose Deaths by Quarter, January 2014 - June 2016

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16
Cuyahoga County Heroin/Fentanyl Overdose Deaths, in 2015/2016 1st Quarter, by Zip Code

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 4-28-16
Cuyahoga County DAWN Saves and Naloxone Administrations, in 2015/2016 1st Quarter, by Zip Code

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 6-10-16
Cuyahoga County Heroin Related Overdose Deaths 2007-2016*
Projected deaths with DAWN Saves and Fentanyl as overdose Deaths

(* 2016 projected based on preliminary data through MidYear)

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16
Fentanyl Deaths Oct 2014 to June 2016

Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner’s Office revised 7-7-16
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