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## **The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose Welcomes HIV Alliance HIV Alliance Joins the Fight to Stop Opioid Overdose**

Rockville, MD (March 13, 2018) – The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose (CSOO) welcomes HIV Alliance as a new member of the coalition. HIV Alliance was formed in 1994 to support individuals living with HIV/AIDS and prevent new HIV infections. HIV Alliance currently provides care coordination, nurse management, and pharmaceutical support to people living with HIV/AIDS in 11 counties. In addition, HIV Alliance also provides youth and adult education programs, community targeted prevention programs, and other programs and services that help people living with HIV maintain and improve their physician, social, and mental health.

“HIV Alliance works on the front lines to educate and provide clinical support services for people living with HIV, and we are thrilled to have them as a new member of the Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose,” said Dr. Corey Waller, Chair of the American Society of Addiction Medicine’s (ASAM) Legislative Advocacy Committee. “HIV/AIDS transmission continues to be a severe problem for people who inject drugs. We look forward to working with HIV Alliance to advance policies that empower people with addiction and living with HIV, increase access to treatment, and prevent opioid overdose.”

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### **About the Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose**

The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose is a coalition of local, regional and national groups that are committed to advancing meaningful legislative and regulatory policies in response to the opioid epidemic. The Coalition seeks to address the U.S. opioid epidemic by engaging policy makers, public health leaders, chronic pain and addiction specialists, individuals in and seeking recovery and family members, so that legislation and policies get the support and funding needed.