

Agencies collaborate to host town meeting on opioid use

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MTN. LAKE PARK — The public is invited to attend a Garrett County Opioid Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, June 14 at the Southern Garrett County Rescue Squad, Mtn. Lake Park, beginning at 6 p.m.

The meeting is a collaboration between the Garrett County Health Department, Community Action and other concerned agencies and citizens. They have called their initiative “Stand Together — Garrett County Against

Drug Abuse.”

“We want to bring the community together for an open conversation about how drugs are affecting this community and what can possibly be done to help this issue,” said Sadie Liller, GCHD prevention coordinator. “This will be the first of what we hope will be a series of town meetings, with other communities standing up to take initiative and do events in their communities.”

A second meeting has been scheduled for July 10 at the Grantsville Volunteer Fire Department beginning at 6 p.m.

“We are also hoping this initiative will draw support from

community organizations, churches and businesses as well as generate interest in individuals volunteering to be on our speaker’s bureau,” Liller said.

“Come out and share your concerns about drug abuse in your community,” said Gregan Crawford, Community Action vice president. “Learn about substances and their effects, as well as what prevention, treatment and recovery resources are available.”

For more information about the town meetings, call Liller at 301-334-7730, ext. 6599, or Crawford at 301-334-9431, ext. 6177.