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## The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose Welcomes New Member A New PATH Joins the Fight to Stop Opioid Overdose

Rockville, MD (February 27, 2018) – The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose (CSOO) is proud to announce A New PATH (Parents for Addiction Treatment and Healing) as a new member of the coalition. A New PATH works with families, individuals in recovery, healthcare professionals and community leaders to reduce the stigma associated with addictive illness through education and compassionate support and to advocate for therapeutic rather than punitive drug policies.

"A New PATH has been an outspoken voice for families and individuals affected by addiction, and we are excited to have them join the Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose," said Dr. Corey Waller, Chair of the American Society of Addiction Medicine's (ASAM) Legislative Advocacy Committee. "We look forward to working with them to educate policymakers and the public on addiction as a chronic disease and to advocate for policies to combat addiction."

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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.