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The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose Welcomes Shatterproof *Shatterproof Joins the Fight to Stop Opioid Overdose*

Rockville, MD (February 22, 2018) – The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose (CSOO) enthusiastically welcomes Shatterproof as a new member of the Coalition.

Shatterproof is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to ending the devastation addiction causes families. Shatterproof's Substance Use Disorder Treatment Task Force has developed the National Principles of Care, a standard for addiction treatment based on proven research. Shatterproof also takes on federal and state advocacy battles, mobilizing families affected by addiction and providing them with a platform to make their voices heard. Their advocacy has helped 15 states pass life-saving legislation: broadening access to lifesaving naloxone, strengthening prescription drug monitoring programs, and ensuring prescriber practices align with CDC guidance on opioids.

"We are thrilled to welcome Shatterproof as a member of the Coalition," said Dr. Corey Waller, Chair of the American Society of Addiction Medicine's (ASAM) Legislative Advocacy Committee. "Shatterproof's contributions will be critical to enact the legislative changes needed to turn the tide of the opioid epidemic and to develop solutions that will reduce overdose deaths and improve the efficacy, quality, and quantity of substance use disorder treatment."

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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.