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On January 25, 2018, the PA House Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing in regards to fatal/non-fatal drug overdoses at ADAPPT in Reading and the Wernersville Community Corrections Center in South Heidelberg Township.

The following information concerns fatal drug overdoses associated with both facilities. This list may not be all inclusive as the data keeping has advanced over the years as the drug epidemic has grown and there may have been residents of either facility that died outside of said facility and the case was not incorporated in this list due to an oversight.

NOTE: According to laws of the Commonwealth, records of the Coroner are not considered public until January 30th of the year following the year of death. Therefore, I have not included any of the names associated with the 2017 deaths. However, due to various other sources, some, if not all, have been made public.

2014

14-0491 – Michael John Bedics, Jr., 36 YOA W/M – Resided & died at ADAPPT from a Heroin OD on February 26, 2014. Originally from the Bethlehem, PA area.

2015

15-3148 – Justin Jacob Taylor, 33 YOA W/M – Resided at Wernersville CCC and died in the Emergency Dept. at Reading Hospital from a Fentanyl & Morphine (presumed Heroin) OD on December 23, 2015. Originally from the Danville, PA area.

15-3150 – Brandon Myles Jordan, 24 YOA W/M – Resided & died at Wernersville CCC from a Heroin & Fentanyl OD on December 24, 2015. Originally from the Ephrata, PA area.

2016

- 16-1471 – Barton L. Weikel, Jr., 36 YOA W/M – Resided at ADAPPT and died in the Emergency Dept. at Reading Hospital from a Fentanyl & Fentanyl OD on May 30, 2016. Originally from the Needmore, PA area.
- 16-2570 – Lucas Thomas Olmedo, Jr., 30 YOA H/M – Resided & died at Wernersville CCC from a Heroin OD on October 5, 2015. Originally from the Binghamton, NY area.
- 16-2963 – Matthew George Kleedorfer, 33 YOA W/M – Resided & died at ADAPPT from a Heroin OD on November 19, 2016. Originally from the Nazareth, PA area.

2017

- 17-0908 – 37 YOA W/M – Resided at Wernersville CCC and died at a friend's apartment in Reading, while out on a day pass, from a Heroin OD on April 1, 2017. Originally from the Mountain Top, PA area.
- 17-1219 – 32 YOA H/M – Resided at ADAPPT and died in the Emergency Dept. at Reading Hospital from a Fentanyl & Morphine (presumed Heroin) OD on May 6, 2017. The decedent had been on a day pass and used the drugs in a public library. Originally from the Vineland, NJ area.
- 17-1293 – 34 YOA W/F – Resided at ADAPPT and died in the Intensive Care Unit at Reading Hospital from a Heroin OD on May 14, 2017. The decedent had been on a day pass and used the drugs in a vacant residence in Reading on May 12, 2017. Originally from the Wilkes-Barre, PA area.
- 17-1696 – 41 YOA W/F – Resided at ADAPPT and died in the Emergency Department at Reading Hospital from a Heroin & Fentanyl OD on June 26, 2017. Originally from the Wernersville, PA area.
- 17-1793 – 30 YOA W/M – Resided & died at ADAPPT from a Heroin & Fentanyl OD on July 9, 2017. Originally from the Jersey Shore, PA area.
- 17-2019 – 46 YOA H/M – Resided & died at Wernersville CCC from a Fentanyl OD on August 4, 2017. Originally from the York, PA area.
- 17-2084 – 32 YOA W/M – Resided & died at ADAPPT from a Heroin, Fentanyl, Acetyl Fentanyl, & Methamphetamine OD on August 12, 2017. Originally from the Scranton, PA area.

2017 cont.

17-2446 – 33 YOA W/M – Resided at ADAPPT and died in the Intensive Care Unit at Reading Hospital from a Fentanyl & Cocaine OD on September 25, 2017. The decedent used the drugs at ADAPPT on September 22, 2017. Originally from the Reading, PA area.

In conclusion, since 2014, there have been at least 9 drugs deaths involving ADAPPT residents (approximately 65%) and at least 5 drug deaths involving residents of the Wernersville Community Corrections Center (approximately 35%).

The majority of the deaths involve W/M's in their 30's – 8 (approximately 57%)
Heroin in toxicology results – 11 (approximately 80%)
Fentanyl in toxicology results – 9 (approximately 65%)
Cocaine in toxicology results – 1 (approximately 7%)
More than 1 illicit drug in toxicology results – 8 (approximately 57%)

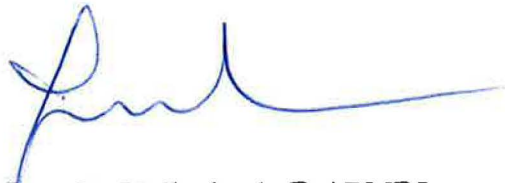
2014 – 1 ADAPPT resident death

2015 – 2 Wernersville CCC resident deaths

2016 – 2 ADAPPT resident deaths & 1 Wernersville CCC resident death

2017 – 6 ADAPPT resident deaths & 2 Wernersville CCC resident deaths

Respectfully submitted,



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2016 Drug Statistics
As of January 27, 2017

*Prescriptions – 18 confirmed (3 involving prescription Fentanyl, 1 involved Methadone, 3 involved illegally obtained Methadone, and 1 also had lethal Carbon Dioxide)
1 probable (Urine screen only for Amphetamine & Benzodiazepine due to death occurring in hospital and no admission blood being available)

*Fentanyl (Illicitly Used) – 17 confirmed (1 also had Ethanol)

*Acetyl Fentanyl – 1 confirmed (also had Fentanyl, used illicitly)

*Furanyl-Fentanyl – 2 confirmed (1 also had Fentanyl, used illicitly)

*Methyl-Fentanyl – 1 confirmed (also had Fentanyl, used illicitly)

*Heroin – 21 confirmed (1 also had lethal Carbon Dioxide)
2 that can't be confirmed but are probable (Urine tested positive for Opiate, but no blood available due to death occurring well after incident. Information obtained through other sources would indicate Heroin usage.)

*Heroin & Fentanyl – 18 confirmed (2 also had Acetyl Fentanyl, 1 also had Cocaine, Acetyl Fentanyl & Meth.)

Heroin & Acetyl Fentanyl –

Heroin & Alcohol – 2 confirmed

*Heroin & Cocaine – 10 confirmed (1 also had Prescriptions, 1 also had Methamphetamine)

Heroin, Cocaine, & Fentanyl – 4 confirmed

Heroin & Prescriptions – 1 confirmed

Heroin & Methamphetamine – 2 confirmed

TOTAL DEATHS INVOLVING HEROIN – Using above information – 58 plus 2 probable

Methamphetamine – 2 confirmed

Cocaine & Prescriptions –

Cocaine – 3 confirmed

*Cocaine & Fentanyl – 8 confirmed (2 also had prescriptions and 1 also had alcohol)

Alcohol – 4 confirmed (3 include a combination with prescription and/or OTC medications,
and 1 had a BAC of 0.641)

OTC – 1 confirmed

Unknown – 5 (Bodies were too badly decomposed to do toxicology, scene examination suggests a toxicological death)

Total including deaths ruled Suicide and Unknowns – 123

112 drug deaths

6 suicides

5 unknowns

2017 Drug Statistics
As of January 24, 2018

Prescriptions – 13 confirmed

- 1 was Fentanyl (illegally obtained patch)
 - 1 was Mirtazapine with ETOH
 - 1 was Oxycodone, Diazepam, Diltiazem
 - 3 were Oxycodone
 - 1 was Buspirone, Trazodone, Hydroxyzine
 - 1 was Oxycodone, Propranolol, Duloxetine
 - 1 was Oxycodone, Diazepam, ETOH
 - 1 was Multiple Opioids, Temazepam, ETOH
 - 1 was Oxycodone, Opiate, Benzodiazepine (urine screen only)
Empty bottles of Oxycodone, Embeda, Zolpidem, Alprazolam and suicide note
 - 1 was Hydromorphone and Cyclobenzaprine
 - 1 was Morphine, Fentanyl, Nortriptyline, Paroxetine, plus others (all prescribed to decedent)
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*Fentanyl (Illicitly Used) – 43 confirmed

- 5 also had Acetyl Fentanyl (1 of those also had Morphine No 6-MAM Heroin couldn't be confirmed & Tramadol
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1 of those also had Morphine No 6-MAM Heroin couldn't be confirmed & Cocaine & Methamphetamine)
 - 1 also had Acetyl Fentanyl, Sertraline, Amitriptyline, Nortriptyline (Multiple TCA's)
 - 1 also had Oxycodone
 - 1 also had ETOH
 - 1 also had Methadone
 - 5 also had Methamphetamine (1 of those had Methadone)
 - 5 also had Morphine No 6-MAM Heroin couldn't be confirmed & 2 of those also had Methamphetamine & 1 of those also had Cocaine
 - 1 also had Multiple Synthetic Opioids (U-47700 & U-49900) and Multiple Fentanyl Analogues (Cyclopropyl Fentanyl, 4-ANPP (Despropionyl Fentanyl))
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Acetyl Fentanyl –

Furanyl-Fentanyl –

Methyl-Fentanyl –

Heroin – 7 confirmed

Heroin & Cocaine – 2 confirmed

Heroin, Cocaine, & Fentanyl – 1 confirmed

*Heroin & Fentanyl – 31 confirmed

- 4 also had Methamphetamine (1 of those had OTC)
- 1 also had ETOH
- 2 also had Acetyl Fentanyl
- 1 also had Cocaine & Methamphetamine
- 4 also had Acetyl Fentanyl & Methamphetamine (1 of those also had Oxycodone & 1 of those also had Cocaine)

- 1 also had Acetyl Fentanyl & Oxycodone
- 1 also had Cocaine & ETOH
- 1 also had Cocaine, Sertraline, Doxepin
- 1 also had U-47700 & Multiple Fentanyl Analogues (Methoxyacetyl Fentanyl, Cyclopropyl Fentanyl, Para-Flourobutyryl Fentanyl (FIBF), Furanyl Fentanyl, and 4-ANPP (Despropionyl Fentanyl))

TOTAL DEATHS INVOLVING HEROIN – 41 confirmed

Opiate – 1 confirmed (Death occurred in hospital, days after incident. Nothing available for testing)

Methamphetamine – 3 confirmed

Huffing – 1 confirmed

Cocaine & Prescriptions –

*Cocaine – 3 confirmed (2 also had ETOH)

*Cocaine & Fentanyl – 7 confirmed

- 1 also had Benzodiazepines & ETOH
 - 1 also had multiple prescriptions
 - 2 also had ETOH (1 of those had Acetyl Fentanyl)
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Alcohol –

OTC – 1 confirmed (Acetaminophen & Diphenhydramine)

Unknown – 3 (Body was too badly decomposed to do toxicology, scene examination suggests a toxicological death)

PCP – 1 confirmed (Death was trauma-related from usage, *is counted in the drug death totals* because the usage directly lead to the cause of death)

*Drowning – 1 (Cause of death was Drowning but decedent was impaired with Methamphetamine, *is not counted in drug death totals* since it wasn't an overdose)

Total including deaths ruled Suicide and Unknowns – 117

109 drug deaths

5 suicides

3 unknowns
