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Senators, addiction treatment and recovery specialists, educators, representatives of health care and law enforcement, will serve as panelists at HVCC on April 23

Senator Kathleen A. Marchione (R,C-Halfmoon) today announced the panelists for the free community forum on overcoming heroin and opioid addiction being held Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to noon, at Hudson Valley Community College's (HVCC) Bulmer Telecommunications Center (BTC) Auditorium in Troy. The forum panelists include:

**Senator Kathy Marchione (R,C-Halfmoon)** 

Senator Phil Boyle (R,C,I-Suffolk County) Chair, Joint Senate Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Addiction

Assemblyman Steve McLaughlin (R,C,I-Schaghticoke)

**Washington County District Attorney Tony Jordan** 

John Copolla, Executive Director, Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Providers of New York State, Inc.
William P. Murphy, MD, Family Physician, Chatham Family Care Center
Lisa Wickens, Registered Nurse and parent
Dan Farley, Assistant Principal, Ichabod Crane High School
Theodore J. Adams, Jr., MS, IMH, CAP, Hudson Valley Community College
Katherine G. Alonge-Coons, LCSWR Commissioner, Rensselaer County Mental Health
Peter Lacy, LCSWR, CASAC, Acting Director, Saratoga County Mental Health Center
Dan Almasi, Dual Recovery Coordinator for the Columbia County Department of Human Services
Beth Schuster, BS, CASAC, Executive Director, Twin County Recovery Services, Inc.
Saratoga County Sheriff Michael Zurlo
Columbia County Sheriff David Bartlett

## Captain Derek Pyle, Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department

The forum is sponsored by the bipartisan Senate Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Addiction, led by Senator Phil Boyle (R-C-I, Suffolk County), Chairman of the Senate Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. The Task Force, which Senator Marchione serves on, was created to solicit input on the rise in abuse of heroin and other opioids and to develop legislative recommendations for treating and preventing addiction.

To RSVP for this free community forum being held at HVCC on Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to noon, call Senator Marchione's office at (518) 455-2381, or e-mail marchione@nysenate.gov.

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