

# INDIANA'S OPIOID EPIDEMIC IS BECOMING DEADLIER AND COSTING THE STATE BILLIONS

#### **OPIOID USE IN INDIANA CONTINUED TO WORSEN THROUGH 2017**

In 2017, 1,700 Hoosiers died from drug overdose



An all time high and a 75% increase since 2011

Opioids are responsible for 81% of drug overdose deaths in Marion County

in Marion County from 355 drug overdoses in 2017 deaths

An all time high and a 123% increase

since 2011

Deaths from fentanyl, a powerful synthetic opioid, have surged. The presence of fentanyl in Marion County overdoses increased from

6% to 46%

between 2013 and 2017

### **HUMAN TOLL GOES BEYOND DEATHS**



Infants exposed to opioids during pregnancy can suffer from:

## (Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome)

Experiencing symptoms such as: tremors, sleep problems, poor feeding, vomiting and diarrhea

NAS Rates have risen 87% in Marion County and **86%** in Indiana from 2013-2014 to 2015-2016

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Number of Indiana children in foster care tripled due to drug misuse by parents

- from **2,837** in 2003 to almost **9,000** in 2016

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Injection-drug users run the risk of serious disease, including hepatitis C and HIV.

In Marion County, acute hepatitis C infections have risen more than 12-fold from 2013 to 2017

### OPIOID USE COSTS INDIANA BILLIONS OF DOLLARS EACH YEAR



Direct Damages (e.g., acute hospitalizations, incarceration, treatment of NAS and foster care)

Economic damages in 2017 in Indiana

\$3.3 Lost productivity BILLION

**\$7.4** BILLION

Economic damages statewide over the past 15 years

Damages over the past 15 years in Marion County (\$7,759 per resident)

**\$43** 

BILLION

Note: All 2017 data are preliminary.