## **DRIVEN BY PURPOSE**

#### Mission

To Promote, protect and improve the health of citizens and visitors of Garrett County

#### Vision

Garrett County, a healthier place to live, work and play!

#### Core Values

Responsive, Compassionate, Respectful, Honest, Efficient, Innovative, Collaborative, Excellent & Accountable

The Garrett County Health Department, by law and policy, does not permit discrimination against anyone on the basis of race, color, age, national origin, sex, religion, or handicap.



# Garrett County Comunity Resource Team "Bridging The Gap On The Road To Recovery"

The Garrett County Community Resource Team is a collaborative effort between the Garrett County Health Department and Garrett County Emergency Services.

Our mission is to aid members of the community who are suffering from opioid addiction reach the resources they need to begin recovery. As a team, we provide personable and confidential services to those who are seeking help for opioid addiction.





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- 24/7 assistance from a team member, 301-334-7249 (For Medical Emergency Response call 911)
- Team members are available to aid those who are ready to take the first step toward recovery. We can provide information about several different recovery programs that are local to Garrett County.
- The members are also available to help families who have a loved one struggling with opioid addiction.
- Garrett County Health Department provides educated and experienced Peer Support Specialists. Speak to a person who has been in our shoes and knows what you're going through.
- Garrett County Emergency Services provides clinicians who are knowledgeable and skilled in Advanced Life-Support. This provides an opportunity for those who have suffered an emergency from opioid use to receive information in a more comfortable environment.

### **Goals & Objectives :**

- Reduce opioid abuse
- Prevent opioid abuse/addiction
- Reduce the risk of overdose
- Educate the community on opioid addiction
- Support and inform those suffering from opioid addiction
- Personal experience to those seeking resources for recovery

#### Good Samaritan Law Facts

Maryland's Good Samaritan Law protects people assisting in an emergency overdose situation from arrest, as well as prosecution, for certain crimes.

The Good Samaritan Law applies to any person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of medical assistance as the result of a person ingesting or using alcohol or drugs.

It also applies to the victims if the victims receive assistance because someone else sought assistance for them. The law protects a person from a violation of a condition of pretrial release, probation, or parole, if the evidence of the violation was obtained solely as a result of a person seeking, providing or assisting with medical help to save someone's life.

The law does not protect persons witnessing the medical emergency if they're not helping with the medical emergency.

The law protects persons from criminal arrest, charge or prosecution for the six misdemeanors listed below where the evidence was obtained solely because of the act of seeking medical assistance:

- § 5-601: Possessing or Administering CDS
- § 5-619: Drug Paraphernalia
- § 5-620: Controlled Paraphernalia
- § 10-114: Underage Possession of Alcohol
- § 10-116: Obtaining Alcohol for Underage Consumption
- § 10-117: Furnishing for or allowing underage consumption of alcohol

The Good Samaritan Law does not apply to drug felonies or other crimes not listed above. Additionally, it does not prevent law enforcement from conducting an investigation and gathering evidence.