



OVERVIEW OF PROBLEM

DAVID NEFF, DO

Dr. David Neff has been involved with large scale planning programs to address population health related issues in the areas of cardiovascular disease, diabetes management and opioid addiction since 2000. He has been studying the Opioid Mortality Crisis since 2010 and has been a member of the Michigan Osteopathic Association's Presidential Ad Hoc Committee to address the crisis since February 2015. He has been instrumental in developing the MOA's two-pronged strategy of addressing the crisis with 1) activating its own membership and 2) working closely in a cross-functional manner with key stakeholder groups across Michigan. The Michigan Society of Association Executives with the Diamond Achievement Award recognized the initiative for Best Governmental Relations Project on combating the opioid crisis.

Dr. Neff is currently a fulltime consultant for Office of Medical Affairs within the Medical Services Administration in the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services after retiring from Merck and Company in 2014 as a Strategy Leader in Global Medical Affairs. Dr. Neff attended Michigan State University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in physiology. He graduated from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (MSUCOM) in 1980. He has been on the clinical faculty at MSUCOM in the Department of Family and Community Medicine since 1981. He is former Director of Pharmaceutical Studies in the Office of Research at Michigan State University. He is board certified in Family Medicine and continues to see patients.



LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE AND PERSPECTIVE

D/LT. GEE CRAM

Lisa Gee-Cram is a detective lieutenant with the Michigan State Police. She has been with the department for 22 years and is currently the team commander at the Jackson Narcotic Enforcement Team (JNET). JNET is a multijurisdictional team tasked with investigating narcotic violations in Jackson County. As the team commander, D/Lt. Lisa Gee-Cram has observed the devastation the heroin epidemic has caused in JNET's jurisdiction, and has taken an active role in combating the problem through education and enforcement measures.



IMPACT ON THE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY]

MIKE HIRST, BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADER

Mr. Hirst founded the non-profit organization, Andy's Angels, in 2010 following an experience of the impact of opioid addiction on families and their communities. His passion for engaging the public in becoming more generally aware of the problem, and his actions to assist community and state agencies to form effective policy change, has received local, state and national attention. He was the 2016 Jackson Citizen Patriot Citizen of the Year, and more recently he and his family accompanied U.S. Rep Tim Walberg (R-Tipton, MI) to the President's first joint address to Congress. (File photo, J. Scott Park, Jackson Citizen Patriot)



TREATMENT AND NEURO-PHYSIOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

JED MAGEN, DO, MS

Dr. Jed Magen is Associate Professor and Chair in the Department of Psychiatry at Michigan State University. He is an expert in the physiological and psychological mechanisms of opioid use and the treatments associated with them. He also has expertise in the diagnosis and evaluation of children and adolescents with combined medical-psychiatric disorders and severe, complex psychiatric disorders. He is board certified in general, child and adolescent psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and the American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry.

He is a past president of the American Osteopathic College of Neurologists and Psychiatrists and of the Michigan Psychiatric Society. He was a member of the Executive Council of the American Association of Directors of Psychiatry Residency Training and is an appointed member of the Council of Academic Societies of the Association of American Medical Colleges. He holds a Master of Science degree in Medical Management at the University of Texas, Dallas School of Management.