

## KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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## **Public Service Announcement**

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## **Hoops for Hope on May 17th**

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) <u>National Prevention Week</u> is an annual health observance dedicated to increasing public awareness of, and action around, mental and substance use disorders. Each year communities and organizations across the country come together to raise awareness about the importance of substance use prevention and positive mental health.

This year, National Prevention Week will take place the week of May 12<sup>th</sup> through May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019. In observance of National Prevention Week, the Kendall County Health Department and Fox Valley YMCA have collaborated to raise awareness about preventing prescription and opioid drug misuse.

The Kendall County Health Department and Fox Valley YMCA will kick off National Prevention Week with a basketball tournament hosted by the Fox Valley YMCA – Central Branch on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. This free event is open to Kendall County youth ages 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. During the basketball tournament, youth will have the opportunity to participate in basketball games, win prizes, play trivia, and learn more about the opioid epidemic plaguing our country.

This family friendly event is funded in whole or in part by the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery through a grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Together, the Kendall County Health Department and Fox Valley YMCA – Central Branch are *Inspiring Action, Changing Lives*. For more information, please call the Kendall County Health Department at (630) 553-9100.

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