



**Shady Grove Middle PTA &
Redland Middle PTA**
present:

**Speak Up, Save a Life:
Silence Kills, Good Samaritan Laws Save**
a free event for the entire community

When: Tuesday, March 8, 7:00pm
Where: Shady Grove Middle School

Please join us as Redland Middle School and Shady Grove Middle School families host **Stephen Chaikin**, Assistant State's Attorney for Montgomery County, to discuss the alarming trend of young people overdosing from heroin, alcohol, and other drugs in Maryland.

The program will inform and educate parents, students, and community members about the overdose crisis, and explain how Good Samaritan laws save lives and protect individuals who call 9-1-1 to report a drug-related emergency.

- In 2014, there were 578 heroin-related deaths in Maryland, ***greater than the number of people who die in motor vehicle accidents (487)***
- Heroin and opioid drug dependency has ***more than doubled in Maryland over the last decade.***

This program is part of the Maryland Heroin and Opioid Emergency Task Force's outreach effort to raise awareness about heroin and opioid abuse and overdose. It is approved by the Montgomery County Police and the Montgomery County Bar Association.