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PRESS RELEASE

Columbia and Greene County Officials Join Twin County Recovery Services, Inc. to Convene Media Event to introduce the new Addictions and Recovery Coordinator

When: October 23, 2018 at 2:00 PM

Location: Twin County Recovery Services Administrative and Outpatient Services - 350 Power Avenue, Hudson, NY 12535

Officials from Columbia and Greene Counties join Twin County Recovery Services staff introducing the new **Addiction Recovery Coordinator**. The Coordinator is a partnership of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors, the Greene County Legislature and Twin County Recovery Services, the non-profit substance use disorder treatment and recovery program serving both counties.

Columbia and Greene counties are maximizing their efforts by collectively tackling the opioid epidemic. The joint hiring of an Addiction Recovery Coordinator was a top priority of both County legislative bodies. To accomplish this critical goal, The Columbia and Greene county governments have joined forces and have entered into a contract with Twin County Recovery Services to fill and supervise the Coordinator position.

The Addiction and Recovery Coordinator will work closely with the Columbia and Greene County Addiction Coalition, the Columbia and Greene County Departments of Mental Health to enhance public education and awareness of the prevention, treatment, and recovery services available to residents of the twin counties.

There are many organizations, community groups and individuals working to fight the opioid epidemic. A key role of the Addiction and Recovery Coordinator is to foster communication, and create public education and targeted outreach to ensure that all populations are informed about the scope of the epidemic and where to turn for assistance.

The October 23rd media event is an opportunity to learn about the many public and non-profit sector efforts and programs taking place to fight the opioid epidemic. Twin County Recovery Services, Inc. has launched its Greener Pathways program which provides mobile outreach services, live video telemedicine services, peer-to-peer services, and transportation assistance.

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