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## **NDAA Publishes White Paper Addressing the Opioid Epidemic**

ARLINGTON, Virginia – The National District Attorneys Association’s (NDAA) Opioid Working Group, comprised of 33 prosecutors from 30 states, published its Opioid Epidemic White Paper this week. After eight months of collaboration, the final product reflects the diverse views of prosecutors representing unique jurisdictions across the country.

Claiming over 170 lives per day, opioid abuse has spurred much needed conversations at the local, state, and federal levels. The Opioid Epidemic White Paper provides a state and local prosecutor response to this crisis based on practical solutions and on the ground experience. Specifically, the paper focuses on the priorities in enforcement, prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation that can be implemented by law enforcement and policymakers nationwide.

Dave Aronberg, chair of the Working Group, celebrated the publishing of the white paper stating, “in response to this unprecedented epidemic, prosecutors from across the country have come together to recommend best practices and policy changes to make our communities safer and save lives.” Combatting the opioid epidemic is a top priority for state and local prosecutors as they work alongside their federal partners. NDAA remains on the front lines of training, research, and policy making as the country grapples with the growing opioid crisis.

*The National District Attorneys Association (NDAA), [www.ndaa.org](http://www.ndaa.org), is the largest prosecutor organization in the country, representing 2,500 elected and appointed District Attorneys across the United States, as well as 40,000 Assistant District Attorneys.*

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