



Boone County Alliance Coalition News

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Upcoming Events

Young Boone Meeting	Tuesday 10/2 6:30-8 PM BCPL Scheben
Monthly BCA Meeting	Monday 10/15 9-10:30 AM NKY Health Department
Florence Halloween Night Out	Tuesday 10/30 5-7pm Florence Gov't Center

Red Ribbon Week October 23rd-31st

The 2018 National Red Ribbon Week theme is: Life Is Your Journey, Travel Drug Free. The theme was created by a student at Solon Middle School in Solon, Ohio.

Red Ribbon Week began in 1985 as a symbol to raise awareness of the killing and destruction caused by drugs in America. Today, the Red Ribbon serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage

participation in drug prevention activities. Numerous schools across the nation participate in Red Ribbon week and sponsor activities for students ranging from drug-free curriculums, awareness of substance abuse and

providing resources for parents. To learn more, go to <http://redribbon.org/about/>



October is National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month!

October is National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month to help raise awareness about the dangers of prescription (Rx) and over-the-counter (OTC) medicine abuse. Our community has been impacted by a major opioid epidemic. Here are some ways to reduce medicine abuse and youth access to Rx and OTC drugs:

- Create a medicine action plan
- Get familiar with the side effects

and warning signs of OTC cough medicine abuse

- Keep an ear out for slang terms teens use for dextromethorphan (DXM) abuse
- Lock up your medications
- Dispose of unused or expired medications at a drug drop box

For more information, please visit <http://www.preventmedabuse.org/>



