



Progress Being Made In Drug Battle

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State numbers are indicating that Scioto County's drug problem is showing signs of improvement.

An Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS) projection based on State Board of Pharmacy data for the first six months of 2011 shows a 10 percent decrease in opiates dispensed in Scioto County.

"Scioto and Gallia County had two of the highest per capita dosage rates for prescription painkillers in the state in 2010," the ODADAS released in its annual report.

Scioto County's dosage rate was 122.2 and Gallia's was 124.4. Only Jackson County, at 133.3, was higher.

"So far, partial-year data for 2011 shows projected decreases in the number of doses prescribed of 8 percent in Scioto County and 5 percent in Gallia County," ODADAS reported.

ODADAS Director Orman Hall attributes much of the progress on this issue to Scioto County.

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