

**YORK COUNTY CORONER**  
**YORK COUNTY ANNEX**

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Objectives for Testimony – Pam Gay, RN BS D-ABMDI, York County Coroner

Center for Rural Pennsylvania – Public Hearing

“Heroin and Opioid Addiction Treatment and Recovery”

Yorktowne Hotel, York, PA

Tuesday, 8/18/15

- Briefly describe how heroin deaths were tracked in the past in the York County Coroner’s Office
- Describe how we now track heroin-related deaths in York County Coroner’s Office (since 2014) and how tracking helps us understand the problem better
- Briefly explain why we track as “heroin-related” and not just “heroin”
- Discuss the voluntary submission of the drug reports to PA Drug & Alcohol (since 2014)
- Discuss the common denominators we see with our heroin-related decedents in York County, specifically focusing on whether or not decedents were in recovery or treatment at the time of their overdoses, and whether the treatment was abstinence-based or medication-assisted

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