



LEADING WITH COMPASSION

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*New York State Assemblyman 126th District*

# TREATMENT WITHOUT JUDGMENT

Assemblyman Gary D. Finch is deeply troubled by the surge in heroin abuse in our Central New York communities. That is why he supported comprehensive legislation designed to help suffering addicts regain control of their lives and prevent others from abusing heroin and other dangerous opioids.

**Improve Diagnosis and Treatment:** Assemblyman Finch knows that good people from all walks of life are struggling with debilitating addictions to prescription painkillers and heroin. Assemblyman Finch wants to improve the diagnostic process and expand treatment options so our friends and neighbors can get the help they desperately need. (A.10159, A.10160)

**Increase Awareness:** Our understanding of the disturbing link between prescription painkiller abuse and heroin addiction is evolving quickly. Assemblyman Gary Finch wants to make sure everyone, especially young people, understands the deadly dangers associated with opioid abuse (A.10161).

**Establish Harsher Penalties Against Corrupt Healthcare Professionals:** Assemblyman Finch is disgusted by the doctors and pharmacists who traffic narcotics under the fraudulent guise of treating patients. Assemblyman Finch voted to increase penalties against these criminals who tear families apart (A.10154, A.10155).

## C.H.A.D

Confidential Help for Alcohol and Drugs, Inc. ....315-253-9786

Onondaga County Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services ....315-471-1359

Catholic Charities of Cortland County Drug-Free Communities Support Project .....607-299-4910

Chenango County Alcohol & Drug Abuse Clinic Services .....607-337-1680



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