

## **News Release**

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## Council Woman Anna Johnson's May 28 Round Table Meeting Highlights Drug Intervention

Guest speakers from Charleston Center and the South Carolina Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence

<u>Charleston County Council woman Anna B. Johnson</u> of <u>District 8</u> will hold her monthly round table discussion on Wednesday, May 28, for citizens to learn more about <u>Charleston County Government</u> programs and services. The meetings normally are held at **12:30 p.m.** on the fourth Wednesday of every month at the <u>John's Island Regional Library</u> located at **3531 Maybank Highway on Johns Island**.

The May 28 meeting will highlight <u>Charleston Center</u>, also known as Charleston County's Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services. Speakers representing Charleston Center during the May 28 round table meeting will be director Chanda Brown, program administrator Jonas Coatsworth, who is also the president of the <u>South Carolina Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (SCATOD)</u>, and prevention specialist Alfredia Horry.

## **Topics for the May 28 meeting on Charleston Center:**

- Information on the general services provided by the Charleston Center
- Learn about medication assisted treatment and the rise of opioid addiction
- A presentation on Prevention Services
- Questions and answers related to drug and alcohol use and treatment

"My purpose for holding these monthly meetings is to share information about County-related issues and to listen to citizens' concerns," Johnson said. "Each month, different speakers are invited to address topics of interest as expressed by the public."

Citizens do not need to register in advance for the round table meetings. For more information or to provide ideas for upcoming topics, contact Charleston County Councilmember Anna B. Johnson:

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