

**ALL ONTARIO CHIEFS CONFERENCE  
June 26-27-28, 2018  
Hosted by Nipissing First Nation**

**RESOLUTION 20/18  
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**SUBJECT:                PRESCRIPTION OPIOID SURVEILLANCE**

**MOVER:                 Chief Denise Stonefish, Delaware Nation**

**SECONDER:            Chief Melvin Hardy, Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek**

**DECISION:             CARRIED**

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**WHEREAS:**

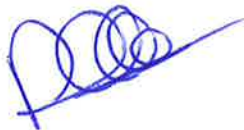
1. Due to the high rates and growing concerns of prescription opioid use (POU) by First Nations peoples, Resolution 13/10 "*Prescription Opioid Surveillance*" was passed at the All Ontario Chiefs Conference (AOCC) in June 2013;
2. As mandated by Resolution 13/10, the Opioid Surveillance Committee has undertaken a detailed analysis to better inform community planning;
3. Resolution 13/10 provides the mandate to conduct research which could provide a comprehensive picture and baseline data of prescribing trends within First Nations in Ontario;
4. The initial report has been completed and identifies the issue as having moved beyond prescription opioid misuse, and cites the need to expand the to include illicit opioid misuse;
5. There is a need to expand the data sources used in ongoing surveillance of opioid misuse among First Nations communities, and to support appropriate policy development.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Chiefs in Assembly:**

1. Approve the report "*Opioid Use Among First Nations in Ontario*" for immediate release and sharing with communities, tribal councils, partner organizations, and PTOs.
2. Direct the Chiefs of Ontario Health Secretariat to seek additional funding, from both the federal and provincial governments, to continue the mandate from Resolution 13/10 "*Prescription Opioid Surveillance*".

3. Direct the Opioid Surveillance Steering Committee (OSSC) to use the report "*Opioid Use Among First Nations in Ontario*" as a baseline to monitor prescription opioid misuse and any future work aimed at reducing the prescription and illicit opioid misuse in First Nations communities in Ontario.

**Certified Copy of a Resolution dated June 28, 2018**

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**RoseAnne Archibald, Ontario Regional Chief**