

Ex-FBI agent to deal with Nevada's opioid crisis

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CARSON CITY – A retired FBI agent will be Nevada's first statewide opioid coordinator.

Attorney General Aam Laxalt announced on Monday the appointment of Terry Kerns, whose job will be to bridge the gap between law enforcement agencies and victims' service providers as Nevada responds to the opioid epidemic.

"As a former federal law enforcement officer and registered nurse, Kerns is a perfect fit to assist law enforcement and victim services coordinate responses to the opioid crisis," Laxalt said in a statement. "As the chair of Nevada's Substance Abuse Working Group, I understand that prevention goes hand-in-hand with law enforcement efforts."

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