

## Patients Rally for Erie Pa. Pain Doctor Paul Heberle

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A local pain doctor in trouble with the law is speaking out as his patients rally around him.

Patients of Dr. Paul Heberle are getting ready to host a fundraiser to help pay for his defense this weekend at the French Quarter on Route 97.

They say a group called the Pain Relief Network - an organization that works with pain management physicians in similar situations as Heberle, has contacted them.

Federal agents raided Heberle's Erie office on East 38th Street in April. He` is being blamed for at least two drug overdose deaths.

The Osteopathic physician is also charged with 15 drug violations and 13 counts of Medicaid fraud.

His patients said today that they are back in the same situation they were in before they became Dr. Heberle`s patients. They`re in chronic pain and getting denied treatment.

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