

Vermont Alcohol and Drug Abuse
Advisory Council

Department of Liquor Control
13 Green Mountain Drive
Montpelier, Vermont

Wednesday, August 27, 2014
10:00AM – 12:00PM

I. Welcome and introductions:

Welcome:

Welcome everyone

Introductions

Rebecca Fenn
Mitch Barron
Todd Bauman
Mark Ames
Marcia LaPlante
Amanda Fulmer
Rita Johnson

Regrets

Barbara Cimaglio
Mark Weikert
Mark Depman
Lori Augustyniak
Steve Waldo
Marcus Hass
Greg Nagurney
Matthew Birmingham
Chauncey Liese
John Gramuglia
Patrick Martin
Jennifer Wall-Howard
Willa Farrell
Michael Hogan

II. Approval of the Minutes: July 23, 2014. Minutes approved

III. ADAP Report:

- The Agency of Administration is contracting with the Rand Corporation to do a marijuana study to look at the impact of legalization. VDH will set up a stakeholder meeting related to public health (prevention, treatment, and recovery). They are looking for an understanding of the work we do, and some guidance on the impact legalization would have on youth, people in treatment and recovery.
- Northeast Governor's Opioid Task Force (includes all New England states and NY).

The task force is addressing 5 goals:

- Interstate prescription drug monitoring data sharing (October 1 due date)
- Exploration of treatment resources across state borders
- Alignment of prevention messaging
- Alignment of law enforcement initiatives
- Guidelines for prescribers related to opiates)

On 8/18 a dynamic VT team attended a meeting to plan actions to reach these goals.

A list serve will be developed in order to facilitate communication across New England.

- A team will attend a policy academy in Nevada in November - Barbara is on this team.
- The Governor's office is beginning talks with CVS Pharmacy. CVS has a grant program for take back medications. They are discussing a possible grant application to serve communities in VT with a CVS.
- VDH will be rolling out a campaign on safe storage and disposal of medication in October (this will follow the DEAs take back day at the end of September).
- Regional activity continues after the Governor's regional forum. A lot of activity is happening in Bennington and Springfield. Other communities are requesting TA from Wit's End and Recovery Networks.
- The college symposium will be on October 9th at Middlebury College. The focus will be on campus culture and binge drinking. Contact VADIC for more information (<http://www.vadic.org/calendar/>)

IV. Priority recommendations for Interim Secretary Chen

- Alcohol
- School Based Prevention and wellness supports (SAP Services)
- Dedicated Tax, impact (re marijuana legalization)
- Legislative Education
- Think Tank
- Community prevention
- Improve state agency coordination re public health policy
- Obstacles in healthcare reform (re enrollment and eligibility)
- Results based accountability – tracking efficacy of treatment in ongoing recovery (telephone recovery support system?) find a way to collect data to show treatment outcomes.
- Recovery Networks
- Child protection
 - Mentors, safety, communication, alternatives
- Criminal and restorative justice
- The Vision Project

Proposed platform – Health and Wellness Promotion (incorporating strength based messaging).

Mark and Rita will help Mitch boil down talking points and put together a “one sheeter” that can be given to Dr. Chen when he visits.

V. Recovery & Resiliency:

September is recovery month!

Upcoming Events:

- Anonymous People showing in Burlington with Q&A After with the producer
- Collaboration with UVM Collegiate Recovery Community – hosting many events
 - Rally with Darryl Strawberry at Echo Center

Vermonters for Vermonters is having a Benefit Concert

VI. Prevention & Education:

VII. Treatment & Intervention:

NCSS used IFS funds to hire a full time substance abuse clinician to be housed at BFA in St. Albans.

Centerpoint has developed a new program called Project Check Point that is being piloted out of Colchester High School (soon to expand to Winooski and BFA). This project has very good outcomes including 0% recidivism with school policy violations.

VIII. Enforcement & Justice:

Future Presentations/presenters:

- (6/25) Invite a subject matter expert to present to the council about medication assisted treatment. (John Brooklyn, Stacey Sigmon).
- (7/23) Presentation on restorative justice as it relates to substance abuse.
- (7/23) How to meet the needs of youth - Youth mental health first aid (Todd Bauman is a trainer and can bring in materials)
- (7/23) Bobby Sand, Karen Genette, Monica Hutt - invite to September meeting to discuss S295