

Meeting Minutes of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Prevention Subcommittee Thursday November 7, 2024, Approved

Attendees:

Subcommittee Members Attending: Michele Bowles, Tahnee Bryant, Tammy Collins, Lori Garrett-Bumba, Stephanie Hayes (co-chair), Jenny Lancaster Amy Saunders (co-chair), Elizabeth Shahan

Invited, Not Attending: Christina Chill, Nancy Hoffman, Jostin Holmes, Greg Puckett, Gig Robinson

ODCP Staff: Jessica Smith

Marshall University Staff: Bradley McCoy

Opening:

Amy Saunders (co-chair) provided welcome and opening remarks of this meeting of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, Prevention Subcommittee. The meeting was called to order on Monday October 28, 2024, and was conducted by Zoom conference. A quorum was present, however both sets of October minutes were tabled to work on the 2025 State Plan. The purpose of this meeting was to finalize the 2025 State Plan.

Agenda Items:

2025 State Plan (Final Draft Due November 15, 2024)

- The group used this time to actively edit the draft of the plan created by Amy Saunders from the last meeting's brainstorming session. The newest copy of the proposed plan is included below.
- The group discussed funding sources for Goal 1 and made sure that it would not overlap with work already being done by other state existing prevention plans. The group agreed that there needed to be consistency in selecting a substance to do the community readiness assessment for and want to do training and track data that are measurable.
- For Goal 3, the group discussed potential prevention topics they would like to present on but ultimately left it purposefully broad so they can determine topics after the first of the year and throughout.
- For Goal 4, the group discussed how it would be a year-long endeavor to work on the development, launch, and promotion of the prevention certification but want to leave it in the plan so that everyone is aware of the process of working on it over the next year.

Reconfirm Subcommittee Membership

- This will be addressed at the next meeting.

Additional Discussion

- None

Adjournment:

Amy closed the meeting by thanking all subcommittee members for their attendance and participation. The subcommittee will meet again on December 19, 2024.

Prevention 2025 State Plan Draft

Goal 1: Assess community-based readiness and capacity to address prevention issues.

Strategy 1: Assist community coalitions in conducting baseline assessments to evaluate and enhance community readiness.

- KPI 1: By April 30, 2025, train at least 20 prevention coalitions on the Tri-Ethnic Center Model.
- KPI 2: By September 30, 2025, facilitate baseline assessments in at least 20 communities
- KPI 3: By October 31, 2025, develop and provide resources to coalitions to develop community plans to increase readiness

Goal 2: Reduce youth access to vape substances and other modalities and promote public health.

Strategy 1: Advocate for the implementation of comprehensive vaping policies at the state level.

- KPI 1: By March 31, 2025, collaborate with stakeholders and organizations to draft policy recommendations.
- KPI 2: By October 31, 2025, host advocacy events to raise awareness about policies.
- KPI 2: By October 31, 2025, host sign on events to raise awareness about policies.
- KPI 3: Through December 31, 2025, establish a baseline number of community members and coalitions engaged.

Strategy 2: Train at least 30 coalitions on prevention advocacy and policy development to enhance their effectiveness in promoting evidence-based policies.

- KPI 1: By April 30, 2025, develop a comprehensive training curriculum on advocacy strategies.
- KPI 2: By December 31, 2025, conduct at least four training sessions with coalitions and prevention stakeholders.
- KPI 3: By December 31, 2025, assess participants' understanding and skill improvement through a survey.

Goal 3: Develop standard training on at least three prevention topics.

Strategy 1: Identify current resources to develop a primary prevention toolkit for schools and communities.

- KPI 1: By December 31, 2025, select three prevention topic areas.
- KPI 2: By December 31, 2025, create training materials for each topic, ensuring alignment with best practices and current research.
- KPI 3: By December 31, 2025, conduct at least three training sessions per topic area for coalition members and community stakeholders.
- KPI 4: By December 31, 2025, assess participants' understanding of topic areas through surveys

Goal 4: Develop a youth pipeline into prevention related fields.

Strategy 1: Establish a new entry level prevention certification in WV.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2025, finalize and launch the certification process with the WV Certification Board for Addiction and Prevention Professionals

KPI 2: By December 31, 2025, design and implement the education criteria and resources for the certificate.