



SAFE HARBOR COHASSET COALITION

Facing Facts, Changing Lives

Safe Harbor Cohasset Coalition Meeting

Thursday, March 2, 2023

11:00AM-12:30PM

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Meeting ID: 857 1833 2524

AGENDA

Attendees: Ron Ford, Deb Robbins, Ashley Colleary, Karen Bailey-Francois, Christine Murphy, Margaret Curley, Brian Scott, Kevin McCarthy, Stephanie Saunders and intern Jackie, Kristen Dean, Scott Dolphyn, Rep. Joan Meschino and Geordie, Barbara Cerwonka, Jessica Goldberg, Ryan Walsh, Sarah Livermore, Aleisa Gittens-Carle, Patrick Sullivan, Nicole Balaschi

11:00 AM A. Welcome

- Department/Organization updates
- Multicultural Event on April 13th (AGC), Domestic Violence Handout (KBF)

11:20 AM B. Coalition Motivation

- Jessica Goldberg-Prevention Solutions
- Input regarding current climate of Cohasset: Anything that threatens success, mental health issues, misconception that drugs and alcohol are the same from the past resulting in a dismissiveness
- Padlet with input: <https://padlet.com/coliver104/benefits-and-barriers-to-participation-in-prevention-efforts-q9r6mpqj34vhm37m>
- Community readiness: Using own autonomy for youth providing youth alcohol and legal ramifications. tec.colostate.edu/communityreadiness

12:00 PM C. Updates/Programs/Events

- National Coalition Academy
- ARPA Funding Approved: Work Group
- Narcan Evening, Rec Fair, KBD, CMM, Samantha Skunk

12:20 PM D. Additional Member Comments

12:30 PM E. Adjourn Meeting

****ACTION ITEMS: Coalition member for NCA, coalition members to join short-term action groups****
Follow-up email to be sent out 3/3/2023

Next Meeting: May 2023

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National Drugs and Alcohol Facts Week- March 20-26, 2023



NDAFW is an annual, week-long health observance that inspires dialogue about the science of drug use and addiction among youth. NDAFW provides an opportunity to bring together scientists, students, educators, healthcare providers, and community partners to help advance the science and address youth drug and alcohol use in communities and nationwide.



National DEA Rx Take Back Day- April 22nd 10AM-2PM Cohasset Police Department

The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day addresses a crucial public safety and public health issue. According to the 2016 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, **6.2 million Americans misused controlled prescription drugs**. The study shows that a majority of abused prescription drugs were obtained from family and friends, often from the home medicine cabinet. The DEA's Take Back Day events provide an opportunity for Americans to prevent drug addiction and overdose deaths.



National Prevention Week- May 7-13, 2023

National Prevention Week is an annual health observance dedicated to increasing public awareness of, and action around, mental health and/or substance use disorders.

Three primary goals:

- Involve communities in raising awareness about behavioral health issues and implementing prevention strategies, and showcasing effectiveness of evidence-based prevention programs;
- Foster partnerships and collaboration with federal agencies and national organizations dedicated to behavioral and public health; and
- Promote and disseminate quality behavioral health resources and publications.

<https://www.samhsa.gov/prevention-week>