Resources and Ideas from SCA Prevention Networking Session
10/14/21

Outlined below are the activities, tools, ideas and resources shared.

Events/Activities/Programs Held/Planned

- Working with Good 360 (https://good360.org/), a donation program where partner with local Walmart. Walmart donates things they can't sell/resell. For example, got leftover school supplies which were able to provide to schools along with efforts to market prevention programs/services to schools. Has allowed to get into schools to do more programs. Also get clothing to provide to students and give to case management clients.
- Events planned for Red Ribbon Week:
    - Kick off week with drug take back event
    - Faith-based committee has initiative for first responders. Purchase breakfast baskets/token of appreciation to first responder locations. Coalition members as well as youth in SADD, Key Club, etc. deliver the baskets.
    - Hold youth conference in partnership with regional industry groups to prepare 10th-12th graders for next steps after high school.
    - Plant the Promise
- Finding schools/others are hungry for services, connection, community. More schools/people are seeking out/requesting services. Surge in interest in prevention services. Finding schools/others are requesting services rather than having to convince them to accept services.

Questions

- Is anyone using INDEPTH or NOT? Having success with schools in getting referrals?
    - Implementing INDEPTH for two years. Schools have in policy for alternative to suspension. Few referrals when schools were virtual, but getting many referrals now that students are back in school and are getting caught vaping.
    - Implementing INDEPTH and get quite a few referrals. Students go through district magistrate and are referred to INDEPTH instead of suspension or fines.
- Is anyone using Why Animals Don't Smoke?
    - Used program in past and found that the students really liked it.
    - Have implemented for many years in pre-K and Kindergarten and has been very well received by school districts.
- Has anyone started working on Phase G Evaluation Report?
    - Meeting every Friday for 2 hours to compile/enter data. Does take a lot of time, not something could just complete in one month.
    - During summer worked on compiling/entering data from prior year.
    - Created template for providers to complete and provide data needed for the report.
    - Any SCAs needing technical assistance with completing Phase G can reach out to Janie Braid (jlb110@psu.edu) at EPIS.
- Should everything be reported in Phase G?
    - Yes, all programs/activities in plan should be reported on. However, SCAs have the flexibility to determine the extent of the detail they will go into about each program. Program specific reports can be ways to highlight programs or information in a way that would be most relevant

or compelling for certain stakeholder groups (especially those unlikely to read the longer full evaluation report).

- What successful strategies are people using to get community members to complete surveys?
  - School sent survey to parents and offered homework pass if they completed it. Had nearly 100% participation.
- What is the best way to be counting web-based information dissemination?
  - Can look into whether there is additional instruction that can be given.
  - Since the realm of web-based can vary widely, DDAP can provide individualized TA to SCAs in regard to what/how to enter the specific things they are doing into WITS.
  - Would be helpful to have more dialogue on this topic.

CPA Updates

- Planning 2021 CPA conference for week of June 20th. Hoping to be in person.
- There is some movement to legalize recreational marijuana in PA. SB473 has been introduced.
  - Article: https://keystonenewsroom.com/story/puff-puff-pass-bipartisan-bill-introduced-to-legalize-marijuana-in-pa/?fbclid=IwAR0dc0xBUO9pIZNDyF9Fcaz3ouFvcEZHnin6KEoiR4vtxT8FWKsU8zphpTM
  - SB473: https://www.senatorlaughlin.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/85/2021/10/adult_use_legislation.pdf
  - Senator Laughlin Press Release: https://www.senatorlaughlin.com/2021/10/12/senators-laughlin-and-street-introdu
- Applications being accepted to serve on the CPA board of directors: https://commonwealthpreventionalliance.org/apply-now-cpa-board-of-directors/
- Accepting proposals to become the project coordinator for the PaStop and PaStart media campaigns. Details and submission instruction: https://commonwealthpreventionalliance.org/request-for-proposals/
- CPA/CTC fall regional meetings are virtual. Speaker will be Craig Bowman. Regional meeting dates, times, and link to register: https://commonwealthpreventionalliance.org/about/regional-news/

DDAP Updates

- Problem Gambling Section Updates
  - Revitalizing the Statewide Problem Gambling & Gaming Prevention Workgroup with a first meeting on 10/19. If anyone has an interest in joining us as we look to advance best practices in gambling and gaming disorder prevention work to please contact Kelly Frizen at kfrizen@pa.gov.
  - SCAs and prevention providers are encouraged to *have the conversation* about gambling and gaming in their communities. Include in needs assessments, focus groups, and data analysis an intentional effort to find out what populations are at risk and currently struggling with problem gambling and gaming in your communities.
  - Pay special attention to groups the evidence already tells us nationally and at the state level are at risk: 25-45 year old males, people using illegal substances, people with mental health disorders, veterans, adolescents, people in prison, and older adults, to name a few.
  - Online gambling is often grouped by the name Igaming. Igaming includes all types of organized video gaming where participants are playing a skill or chance game on the internet/online that includes wagering on the outcome of an event (an event can be the outcome of the game or the outcome of a play within the game). Igames include: Traditional eSports - (e.g., wagering on NFL, MLB, or Golf); Fantasy eSports (eNASCAR, NBA 2K, League of Legends, World of

Warcraft, Counterstrike, Fortnite, Call of Duty, Rainbow Six); Entertainment betting (The Voice, Dancing with The Stars, Survivor, Game of Thrones); online casinos offering slots and table games such as blackjack and poker; ilottery and instant games (the online version of scratch offs), and horse/greyhound racing.

- Timeline of upcoming tasks/due dates:
    - o **10/20:** For SCAs asked to revise Block Grant supplemental funding proposal, revised proposal is due 10/20.
    - o **10/31:** Complete entry of all SOR funded services from 7/1/21 through 9/29/21 into WITS.