



Western Anne Arundel County Substance Abuse Prevention
Coalition Meeting Agenda
July 6, 2021, 6 – 7pm

1. **Introductions and greetings**
2. **Change of leadership**
3. **Capacity-building**
 - **Current membership and resources**
4. **Review of past strategies**
 - **Compliance checks**
 - **Youth engagement**
5. **Looking ahead**
 - **Restaurant Partnership**
 - **TIPS training**
 - **Narcan training**
 - **Needs assessment and strategic planning**
6. **WASP on the prevention website**
 - www.PreventSubstanceMisuse.org/coalitions/wasp/
 - Prevention blog: www.PreventSubstanceMisuse.org/blog

WASP Meeting held on 7/6/2021

The following people were present at the meeting: Mindi Garrett, Cpl. Middleton, Raymond Medley, Stella Hare, Chelsea Neil, Caitlin Hall, John Hare, Debbie Tall

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Introductions and greetings
2. Change of Leadership
 - a) New Fiscal Year – there is no funding for FY 22
 - b) Searching for funding for all coalitions is being done
 - c) Mindi is the Coordinator of WASP until funding is covered.
3. Capacity-building
 - a) Current membership and resources
 - b) Keep membership and resources strong.
 - c) Focus on alcohol and youth—have actually engaged with youth.
 - d) Volunteer coalition
 - e) Provider survey for OMPP – stay tuned for phone calls.
 - f) Chelsea – no updates at this time.
4. Review of past strategies
Compliance Checks
 - a) Compliance checks have been done since 2012 and have been ongoing for all coalitions.
 - b) Check on alcohol selling establishments to see if they follow the law and don't serve minors.
 - c) Marsella & Destine gave compliance awards.
 - d) 2020 – 13 out of 14 compliance checks were passed and the one that didn't pass had received an award For 2019.
 - e) 2021 – 10 compliance checks were done on Superbowl Sunday. 6 out of 10 failed their compliance checks that day.
 - f) Beverage training known as TIPS is offered to businesses for managers and/or staff.
5. Looking ahead
 - a) Restaurant Partnership – practices in selling/distributing alcohol for liquor establishments.
 - b) TIPS training – beverage training offered to businesses for managers and/or staff.
 - c) NARCAN training – offered to WASP participants. Jasmine does training. Marsella, Debbie, and Destine have taken the training.
 - 1) Training is held on the 4th Monday of every month.
 - 2) Community groups can request a training to be held at other times.
 - 3) Info and registration are at PreventSubstanceAbuse.org/NARCAN training.
 - 4) There is also training for trainers of NARCAN. Trainers needed for WASP!
 - d) Needs assessment & strategic planning
 - 1) What does the community need?
 - 2) What does the community think it needs?
 - 3) Surveys/focus groups/key interest groups
6. WASP on the prevention website
 - a) www.PreventSubstanceMisuse.org/coalitions/wasp
 - b) Prevention blog – contribute blog post on Opioid Awareness – some posts were done with SADD
 - c) Streaming, instagrams, stats
 - d) Poetry contest
 - e) Recovery Anne Arundel (8/5, 9/2, 10/7 from 9:30-11 am)
 - f) A lot of stories to tell about coming out of the pandemic
 - g) 8/31 is National Remembrance of those lost to Opioids
 - h) National Nite Out is August 3rd. Crofton Library is having a gathering from 5-8pm. Piney Orchard and Earleigh Heights will be doing events.
 - i) 8/14 Fresh Start Church on Langley Road in Glen Burnie is having 3 sets of panel discussions addressing the vaccine, COVID, mental health and going back to the norm. Opens at 11:30 and runs from noon to 2:30 pm. Marsella is working with it.
 - j) Saturday, July 17th from 10-1 is the 2021 Peace Walk in Severn. Kids' activities – good to have info out. Good to recruit people. Will be held at Van Bokkelen ES
 - k) Local churches and police department do events.
 - l) Red Ribbon Week at the end of October.
 - m) July 31st Van Bokkelen Elementary will host events. Look at other community groups.

WASP Meetings will be held from 6-7 pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

