



# PREVENTION TASK FORCE

Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Task Force Chair: Tim Lena

Co-Chair: Shannon Bresaw

**December 7, 2018**

## Meeting Minutes

**In-Person:** Tim Lena, Shannon Bresaw, Donna Arias, Traci Fowler, Susan McKeown, Aly McKnight, Laura Milliken, Hannah Lessels, Melissa Schoemmell, Nicole Rodler, Maura McGowan, Sarah Shanahan, Annika Stanley Smith, Melissa Lee **On the Phone:** Betsy Houde

### Minutes from August 2018 approved

- Clarification asked for “the age range is 6-18 and there is not a cap”; cap applies to the number of people eligible to services as long as they meet the criteria.
- The above change was made to August 2018 Minutes.

### Minutes from October 2018 approved

- Change made to spelling from “Alyssa Cannon” to “Alissa Cannon”

Approved August and October minutes will be posted to the [Prevention Taskforce webpage](#).

**Updates: Following up from L.E.A.D. Presentation in August by Nick DeMauro, CEO.**

- Tim shared that Commissioner of Safety, John J. Barthelmes, requested meeting with to learn more about prevention and the L.E.A.D. curriculum, wants to set up meeting between Tim and State police head to discuss L.E.A.D. curriculum pros and cons for the state police.
- L.E.A.D. training coming up for instructors in Concord. The course would be 3 days for people without prior teaching experience (1/7/19 - 1/11/19), and 1 day for DARE instructors and certified teachers (1/7/19, 1/8/19, 1/9/19, or 1/10/19)
- Discussion regarding opportunities to fund the L.E.A.D. program
  - Trainings are one-day for \$150. Must have a minimum of 10 people (could be a mix of officers and teachers). There is also a one-week training specific to only new officers (new is defined as not a current SRO or DARE officer). The week-long training costs \$350 per person. The kits for the trainings are \$250 each. Just need one kit per classroom. NOTE: Training is not just for teachers/officers – anyone could take training. **Nicole Rodler will contact police departments she knows to gauge interest in attending LEAD trainings.**

### Governor's Commission Business

- Prevention Professional Seat
  - Patrick Tufts took over prevention seat, but looking for names for this prevention seat; Shannon Bresaw will not fill this role in order to avoid redundancy as Patrick already represents a seat for Granite United Way.

- Tim Lena recommended Celeste Clark or Marissa Carlson
  - Traci Fowler recommended Kelley Gaspa. **Traci will ask Kelley if she is interested.**
  - **Shannon will bring recommended names to Patrick**
- State Plan, Budget, Prevention Priorities
  - Tim recommended keeping focus on evidence based practices for prevention, outcomes and showing cost-effectiveness of prevention.

### **Subcommittee Updates**

- Early Childhood Sub-Committee - Sarah Shanahan
  - Sarah reviewed the sub-committee's recommendations with the taskforce. Also shared a digital version this to be used as a template for other subcommittees.
  - Included in this subcommittee's priorities are:
    - ACERT, including Family Resource Center Support
    - Home visiting Programs
    - Screening for ACES
    - Early childhood and family mental health credentialing (Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP) Training)
    - Early childhood educational programming
- Children and Youth Sub-committee – Traci Fowler
  - Traci shared strategies and recommendations of the children and youth sub-committee
  - Included in this subcommittee's priorities are:
    - Support the NH Prevention Certification Board - this is complete, approved at the last GC Meeting.
    - Provide Core Mission Support for NH's Youth Leadership and SUD Prevention Programs: Funding evidence based progression and evaluation is crucial. Traci stated that this seems to be the biggest priority as programs need support meeting the standards.
    - Increase number of Student Assistance Program (SAP) Counselors serving middle and high school students. PFS Funding is available through FY2020.
      - Continued support for SAP requires overwhelming support and advocacy so that it doesn't get cut from local budgets. Discussed possible partnership with the Department of Education.
    - Support ongoing development of community-based coalitions. Discussion about the funding cycle for the DFC coalitions and how the Prevention TF could support the coalitions. TA and participation in the Prevention Community of Practice is available through BDAS and the Community Health Institute/Center for Excellence. **Coalitions and prevention**

taskforce members will be invited to participate in the Prevention Community of Practice. Set to launch beginning of 2019.

- Increase the reach of Juvenile Court Diversion and Restorative Justice: the priority is continuing the core work and continued support for SBIRT. This priority on hold due to recommendations from Nicole Rodler and Betsy Houde.
  - Incentivize schools to utilize Multi-Tiered Systems of Support for Behavioral Health & Wellness MTSS-B on hold because there will be an LSR filed during this session.
  - Expand YBRS data collection efforts to include Middle School grades 6-8. This is on hold. Middle school should be included, but **Traci will follow up with Jill Burke for clarification.**
- Young Adult Sub-Committee
    - Aly reported great participation at past meetings of this subcommittee and shared notes from a brainstorming session held with the subcommittee earlier this year. This feedback will tie into the young adult strategies prioritized.
    - Annika Stanley Smith will be the co-chair
    - **Aly will bring a document with organized updates for the next meeting**
  - Adult and Older Adult Subcommittee
    - **Tim to reach out to the chairs for an update.**

#### **Legislative Update – Aly McKnight**

- New Futures currently focusing on a campaign to address legalization of marijuana. Events across the state in December.
  - **Aly will share a letter from the task force to legislators urging them to come to these events.**
  - **Aly will send a calendar of events to the task force.**
- New Futures is continuing work to address negative alcohol bills, please contact Aly if you're interested in getting involved.
- Vaping is connected to marijuana because you can use vaping devices for THC, and vaping can be harmful to health. New Futures is incorporating vaping into the marijuana campaign this year and will do a separate campaign next year. New Futures has a story collection forum that **Aly will share with the task force.**

#### **Other Updates/Other Business**

- Office of the Governor
  - Funding will be decided on recommendations from the task force. Sarah asked if we need to provide more information about our recommendations
  - **CHI will link the priorities of the committee to the state plan website**
  - There will be an extra meeting in January about the funds for long term

- Shannon and Tim will update the task force about any hard deadlines for funding recommendations.
- Taskforce will offer an invite to someone from Life of an Athlete to join the taskforce
- Susan McKeown recommended that we recognize the anniversary of Sandy Hook and discuss gun safety legislation at the next meeting

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## See you next time!

Next meeting: **Friday, February 1, 2019, 9:30am – 11:30am**  
at [Community Health Institute, 501 South Street, Bow, NH.](#)