

**Vermont Alcohol and Drug Abuse  
Advisory Council**

Department of Liquor Control  
13 Green Mountain Drive  
Montpelier, Vermont

Wednesday, May 23, 2012  
10:00AM – 12:00PM

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

Welcome

Welcome everyone

Introductions

David O'Brien  
Barbara Cimaglio  
Colleen Gorun  
Mark Depman  
Chauncey Leise  
Karen Casper  
John Searles  
Patty McCarthy Metcalf  
Ryan Mitofski  
Lori Augustyniak  
John Flannigan  
Mark Ames  
Mitch Barron  
Meika Zilberberg  
Willa Farrell  
Patrick Martin

Regrets

Andy Snyder  
Steve Waldo  
Lisa Anne Atwood  
Mike Hogan  
Trudee Ettliger  
Joy Mitchell

**II. Approval of Minutes: April 23, 2012**

April 25<sup>th</sup> Minutes – Minutes approved with the following changes: No changes needed

### III. Deputy Commissioner Report: Barbara Cimaglio

#### Program Updates

The legislative session has ended for 2012. There were a few bills related to the Substance Abuse area in the Health Department, one of which was the Opiate Treatment Bill (H.627) <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/database/status/summary.cfm?Bill=H%2E0627&Session=2012>.

The second bill was the Vermont Prescription Monitoring System (H.745) <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/database/status/summary.cfm?Bill=H%2E0745&Session=2012>.

The Governor's budget was leveled for Substance Abuse, Prevention, and Treatment. There were a few areas in the final budget where the Senate added additional recourses for Residential Treatment for recovery (i.e Serenity House - Rutland, Maple Leaf Farm – Underhill). The Senate also added additional support for Recovery Centers.

The Hub and Spoke pilot project continues to move forward. ADAP is anticipating by fall 2012 they will be launching the Hub and Spoke project.

There was a question about lodging of public inebriates in DOC facilities. The legislature has extended the date to June 2013 when PIPs could no longer be lodged at DOC facilities. There are few other secure lodging options since people should not end up in the DOC facilities if they are under the influence, but the reality is that there are just no other secure locations/facilities unless a statutory change is made. ADAP will continue to work with the partners, public safety, hospitals, etc. If someone is in need of some more secure lodging then they will go to a DOC facility.

The College Symposium on Substance Abuse issues is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at Norwich University. The College Symposium is partially funded by the Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Grant with a main focus on alcohol.

On May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> VDH and DMH hosted our regional administrator, Kathryn Power from SAMHSA for a two day visit. The purpose of Kathryn Power's visit was to get a better understanding of some of the things that Vermont is doing related to Substance Abuse. She visited with leadership from DMH and VDH/ADAP, and also with the provider group from Central Vermont: CVSAS, Washington County Mental Health and others. She toured the new Public Inebriate Program operated by Washington County MH. In Burlington, Ms. Power visited the Turning Point and also met with a group of prevention partners, including colleagues from various VDH prevention areas. Her visit concluded with a tour of the Lund Center to understand what they are doing regarding serving pregnant and parenting women with children. She was very impressed with the excellent work being done in Vermont

#### Combined Community Grants

Community Based Grants – See Handout - Community-Based Prevention Grant Recipients FY13.

## IV. New Business

### Special Presentation: Overview of the Prescription Monitoring System – Meika Zilberberg

The VPMS is a free online tool for Vermont Pharmacists, Prescribers, and their Delegates to access their patient's controlled substance history.

All pharmacies licensed by the State of Vermont are required to report their controlled substance prescriptions to the VPMS database by law every 7 days. There are approximately 400 Vermont Pharmacies licensed by the State of Vermont, in which, 140 are Vermont Pharmacies and 260 are out of state pharmacies licensed by the State of Vermont.

See the VPMS PowerPoint Presentation attached for more information regarding the VPMS program.



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VPMS Data Report for 2011

[http://healthvermont.gov/adap/documents/VPMS\\_Report\\_0212.pdf](http://healthvermont.gov/adap/documents/VPMS_Report_0212.pdf)

### “Bringing Recovery to Scale Meeting” – Patty McCarthy Metcalf and Mark Ames

A group from VDH, DMH, FOR, Blueprint all went to the meeting which was about States trying to find a way to create a system for recovery compatible with the medical home initiative. The group will be receiving funds for a proposal that was submitted to SAMHSA.

## V. Old Business

### Strategic Prevention Enhancement Grant: Update, Survey Results – John Searles

Center for Health and Learning created two surveys, an ADAP staff input session and webinar, which led to a resource and gap analysis. The summary was emailed to the Council from CHL. CHL will submit information to ADAP by May 30<sup>th</sup> and ADAP will provide more information regarding the summary at the June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Feedback from FAS Workgroup Meeting/Council's Role – Trudee Ettlinger

Nothing Mentioned

### Marijuana Distribution Centers

The Program Rules were approved the week of May 14, 2012 by legislative committee. This paves the way for adoption, which has to occur within 15 days of them filing with the Secretary of State's Office. The Secretary of State's Office will be publishing the week of May 21, 2012

requesting applications for opening 4 dispensaries. The awarding of the certificates has to occur within 30 of the rules being accepted by the Secretary of State's Office. By the middle of July, they are hoping to have the registration tickets.

The Department of Public Safety has created a new position called the Marijuana Program Administrator. They have received 31 applications and are planning on interviewing 8 applicants.

#### Filling Vacant Council Positions: Replacing Sarah Scrodin – David O'Brien

Lisa Ann Atwood has resigned from being appointed to the Council

Sarah Scrodin's position is still being looked at for being filled. Michaela Wisel for the teacher position cannot attend the VADAAC meetings. Barbara Cimaglio has asked for Council members to continue to make suggestions for a replacement for Sarah Scrodin's position.

David O'Brien has submitted his resignation to the Council and the Governor. He asked that the members continue to think about new representatives.

#### Legislative Concerns: Final Visit

Health Care Reform

### **VI. Member Reports/Announcements**

#### John Flannigan

Click it or Ticket - 30 tickets have been issued so far and 2 of which were under the influence.

### **VII. Future Guests**

- Director Craig Jones, Blueprint for Health Director
- Brian Remer, U Matter
- Tom Salmon, Drinking and Driving Laws
- Physician to Talk About Requirements