

**Opioid Coordination Council
Prevention Strategies Committee
Thursday, April 26, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Waterbury State Office Complex
Agenda**

What needs to happen to address the gaps in effective prevention work in every community/region in Vermont? How can we integrate efforts to achieve strong prevention outcomes in schools and communities, for children, families and communities?

1:00 – 1:15 Welcome & Introductions

- Chair: Stephanie Thompson
- Jolinda LaClair, OCC Director; Rosi Gowdey, OCC Community Engagement Liaison
- Introductions around the room

1:15 – 1:25 Charge/Deliverables of the Committee *(See full version at end of agenda)*

1. Charge: Work with state agencies and departments, providers, and private sector to ensure further development and implementation of the OCC's recommended Prevention strategies
2. Deliverables
 - Interim Report: July 1, 2018
 - Final report: Mid-late September 2018
 - Deliverables from subcommittees and working groups (below)
3. Nature/scope of the Committee's work
 - Facilitate communication
 - Review progress of subcommittees and working groups
 - Develop further recommendations as needed
 - Facilitate fund development
4. Frame for this meeting, future meetings
5. Working groups:
 - A. **School-based** working group (with Marijuana Advisory Commission)
 - B. **Community-based** working group (subgroup of Prevention Committee)

1:25 – 1:55 The Prevention, Education and Intervention Strategies (scope of work, status)

(See full version in handout)

- A. School-based primary prevention programs
 - B. Community-based models
 - C. Comprehensive drug prevention messaging campaign
 - D. Health care education, monitoring and screening for providers and patients
- Intervention**
- E. Expand Vermont's syringe exchange programs and services
 - F. Supply naloxone and provide training
- Harm Reduction**
- G. Expand drug disposal options
 - H. Improve sharps collection and disposal

1:55 – 2:00 Stretch Break

2:00 – 2:30 **Achieving OCC Prevention Strategies: Highlights**

[See Goals below](#)

School-based/Community-Based Prevention: (alignment with Marijuana Advisory Commission)

- School-based
 - Marijuana Advisory Commission School-based working group (Inventory): **Dawn Poitras**, Chair (Student Assistance Counselor, Barre)
 - The school/community bridge: **Mitch Barron** (Centerpoint Services)
- Community-based
 - Mentoring for community-based models (and Overdose Prevention Team) **Charles Whitehead**, Project Vision, Rutland
- Youth Leadership Initiatives
 - Vermont Youth Leadership Efforts/Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) model: **Sheriff Roger Marcoux** (OCC member)
 - Youth-Driven Writers Project: **Bess O'Brien** (Kingdom County Productions)

2:30 – 2:55: **Achieving OCC Prevention Strategies**

- Discussion
- Action items

2:55 – 3:00 **Next steps/next meetings**

1. Full committee: May through October 2018 (1:00 - 4:00)
 - May 24
 - June 28
 - July 26
 - August 23
 - September 27
 - October 25
2. Subcommittees and working groups: as needed, through September

Annotations for the Agenda

Charge and Deliverables of the Prevention Strategies Committee

Charge: Work with state agencies and departments, providers, and private sector to ensure further development and implementation of the OCC's recommended Prevention strategies:

- School and community-based prevention programming:
 - Implement statewide comprehensive system for delivery of school-based prevention programs
 - Build, replicate, and support strong community-based models through multi-sector partnerships, innovation, and research resulting in outcomes that exceed previous, less collaborative efforts
 - Ensure the implementation of an event/series that engages and involves youth in prevention activities, through both school and community avenues

- Create a comprehensive drug prevention messaging campaign
- In addition, monitor and ensure forward movement to:
 - Expand health care education, monitoring and screening for providers and patients
 - Supply with naloxone and provide effective training to all Vermont law enforcement EMS, and people likely to be near a person who may overdose.

Deliverables

- Interim Report: July 1, 2018
- Final report: Mid-late September 2018
- Deliverables from subcommittees and working groups (below)

Nature/scope of the Committee's work

- Facilitate communication, information-sharing, collaboration, efficient use of resources, and accountability across committees/working groups, and between participants and other stakeholders
- Review progress of subcommittees and working groups on their implementation and deliverables (see subcommittee/working group deliverables below)
- Develop further recommendations as needed
- Facilitate fund development

Working groups

- A. School-based working group (with Marijuana Advisory Commission)
(Agency of Education, Department of Mental Health, Department of Health/ADAP)
- Inventory of staff resources and programming in schools across the state.
 - Can work with community-based working group to address meeting gaps.
- B. Community-based working group (subgroup of Prevention Committee):
Representatives from CCOA, Project Vision, developing coalitions, community programs.
Task: to develop mentoring and toolkit for effective coalition-building.

2:00 – 2:30 Achieving OCC Prevention Strategies

Goals (not exclusive)

- *Reach all of Vermont's youth and families with effective primary prevention programming, and messaging specific to opioids, through school- and community-based approaches*
- *Reach youth and families at particular risk with proven programming and sufficient resources to succeed in achieving desired outcomes*
- *Support recovery programs as an investment in multi-generational prevention*
- *Support intervention as a stepping stone to treatment and recovery*