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Alliance for Substance Use Prevention of Langlade County November 16th, 2023 11:30am-12:30pm

Zoom link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86566364015?pwd=dlZveVdlenFzVzBoOEpSSmtEUis2QT09

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	Discussion	Actions/Responsible
11:30am	Call Meeting to order		Donna
11:30am-11:35am	Introductions	Donna Wiegert – Health Dept Steph Fassbender – CPS Rylee Bricko – CPS Christi – Three Bridges Danielle – Three Bridges John Zenkovich – Health & SS Meghan Williams – Health Dept Kendall Nagel – Health Dept Darlaen Jansen – Antigo School District Dan Young – CVCU (zoom) Amanda Mohr – HS/MS SW (zoom) Elizabeth Walter – Exec Dir Three Bridges (zoom)	All
11:35am-11:40am	Any additions to this agenda or to be added on future agendas.	None	All
11:40am-11:45am	Any changes or additions to the minutes from our meeting in August.	None	All



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11:45am-12:15pm	Alcohol, Tobacco and other drugs programs - What work is being done now? - Are you experiencing any barriers or other difficulties? - Who is missing from our coalition that you know or work with? - Does your program, project or need any help from our coalition? - Any community members or business partners we should reach out to? - Do you have any Work Group ideas and leads? - What should our coalition focus on in 2024?	Amanda Mohr – At the school level it is a very sensitive subject but students are struggling with AODA issues. Trying to work SMART recovery training into education. Says a barrier may be staff not understanding the issues and jumping right to punishment such as suspension rather than understanding the underlying issue and providing education. Wants to implement giving students an option of working on recovery rather than punishment. Amanda offered our coalition a booth for "In Plain Sight" display for Pride Night in February. Currently working with the Veteran's Dept to volunteer time with students with AODA issues. Darlaen Jansen – doing emergency drills once a semester, this semester is focusing on staff using critical thinking skills to recognize overdose and how to use Narcan.	All



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Darlaen identified a barrier that kids are at school for a limited time per day, so they can only do so much to influence drug prevention and cessation for the students while they are at school.

Elizabeth Walter – Three Bridges opened an office in Langlade county, serves people who need drug and alcohol recovery services. Their recovery coaches offer a peer to peer program, mainly serves adults but is looking into serving adolescents. Will keep our coalition updated with any new developments.

They support the Hope House by offering recovery coaches. Also works with the jail to make plans for people being released.

Also working with Aspirus/Meghan Mattek to launch Three Bridges in the "help now" system where staff will screen and ask patients if they want a recovery coach.

Willing to have Three Bridges come and support any events that are going on, please let us know how we can help.



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Planning an outreach event with the Diversion Court.

Looking for grants to fund staff, coaching, etc. because they are a non-profit organization.

They have HIV and Hepatitis C at home test kits that Three Bridges can provide for our Narcan vending machines.

Kendall Kuenzli – we are in the process of finishing the revamp of the "Escape the Vape" program. Meeting with staff on Monday from Forest County Potawatomi and Forest County Health Department. We will do a run through of the updated program. Once the projects is completed, we will provide the layout for other counties and organizations to replicate and use.

"In Plain Sight" mock bedroom set up is complete. This display educates parents on different trends that adolescents are using to hide drugs/alcohol. We have done displays at AHS, All Saint's, Elcho, and AMS



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Spaghetti Dinner so far this fall. The Antigo Police Department and LC Sheriff's Department has partnered with us during these presentations.

Narcan boxes were installed at the Health Dept and at the courthouse about a month ago.

The Health Department will be starting the 2^{nd} annual food drive in December. Give Hope. Give Love. Give Food. is starting on Dec 1^{st} , through Dec 22^{nd} – all items will be going to the Antigo, Elcho and White Lake Food Pantry's.

Steph Fassbender – Do parents have the education and knowledge to assist the students with drug/alcohol use?

Willing to help with any events that we will need assistance with. Going where the people are and presenting the information in various areas is a good idea because people do not always know how or where to get information on substance use prevention or cessation.



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Donna Wiegert –

In the next couple weeks, we will send out an email to the schools, boys and girls club, etc. to discuss the newly updated "Escape the Vape" program that will be offered to them during the spring semester. One of the new options will be to have school staff provide the educational program to their students. Our coalition members can also be instructed on how to provide this program for their place of employment or faith-based communities. Please contact us for more information.

Our coalition will continue to offer both "Escape the Vape" and "In Plain Sight" for staff development days at the schools, businesses and churches. Any coalition members interested in leading these displays, please reach out to Donna or Kendall.

Donna and Kendall visited a few of the vape shops and stores in town to see the marketing and similarities of the Nicotine, THC, CBD, and high caffeine drink products



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to everyday items children and students would fine appealing. Some of these items have been added to the "In Plain Sight" display.

We have applied for 2 new grants. One to research root causes for underage drinking in our county and the other to continue work in opioid and stimulant misuse and prevention.

Please reach out to Donna is anyone is interested in helping with these 2 projects.

Our coalition plans to implement the "THC is Changing" campaign in 2024. If there is any interest from our coalition members to help with this, please contact Donna.

We would like to get youth involvement in our coalition. Student participation is instrumental in our youth prevention work because we can do this for them without their input in the planning and implementation stages. Amanda offered to be the point of contact for the Antigo Schools for student involvement.



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Please think about who else we can include
in the coalition.
Rylee Bricko – Suggested that the coalition
works together on future projects so we
are all working in conjunction rather than
each individual entity.
Meghan Williams – we were granted funds
for two Narcan vending machines. They
will be stocked with Narcan, gun locks,
medication bags, resource guides, etc. They
will be located at our building and the
lobby of the safety building.
Dan Young – asked how much of a time
frame we need if they want to set up an In
Plain Sight demonstration. Donna
answered a couple of weeks should be
sufficient.
Christi – mentioned that she is willing to
bring educational information to NA and
AA meetings.



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12:15pm-12:30pm	Round Robin	Donna offered a reminder that last year,	All
		with the coalition's approval, the health	
		department absorbed Alliance for	
		Substance Use Prevention of Langlade	
		County. This was done because there was	
		not anyone able or willing to take the	
		leadership role in the coalition. We all	
		agreed that the substance use prevention	
		and cessation education being done was	
		too important for our community to let the	
		coalition dissolve. Our plan was to have	
		different work groups among the coalition	
		members.	
		Ideally, the groups would be: Youth, Young	
		Adult, Adult, and Older Adult. As discussed,	
		it would be ideal to have each work group	
		led by a coalition member who has a	
		special interest in planning and	
		implementing programming for that	
		particular group. For instance, activities	
		planned for our students may not be	
		relevant or culturally appropriate for older	
		adults.	
		As before I will continue to call for	
		As before, I will continue to ask for	
		involvement in these programs thru these	



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		coalition meetings. If anyone has a specific interest or recommendation for our coalition moving forward, please call me at 715-627-6250 or email me at dwiegert@co.langlade.wi.us.	
12:30pm	Adjourn Meeting		Chairperson
Next meeting	February 15 th , 2024 @11:30am Zoom option or in person-Langlade County Health Department 1225 Langlade		