



TPAUD Coalition Meeting

February 24th 8:00am

Zoom

Attendees: Coreen Ahmed, Shaquaisha Andrews, Gillian Anderson, Nina Chanana, Donna DeLuca, Scott Duva, Leigh Goodman, Tim Hare, Lori Hayes-O'Brien, Mary Isaac, Sue Jacozzi, Lisa Labella, Scot Kerr, Melissa McGarry, Cornelia Morris, Dennis McLaughlin, Laila McGeorge, Kiersten Naumann, Jeff Rago, Jessica Samoulis, Stephanie Vaughn, Lara Walden

1. Introductions & Partner Updates
2. "The New Marijuana, the Impact of Commercialization, & Community Advocacy" – John Daviau, MAPC of John Daviau Consulting, LLC; John provided the coalition with an overview of today's marijuana, discussed health impacts of marijuana use (particularly by youth and young adults under the age of 25), and shared learnings from states that have already legalized non-medical marijuana. Mr. Daviau also shared tips and instructions on legislative advocacy.
3. Prevention Updates:
 - Youth Advisors: The third Youth Advisors meeting was held on Sunday, February 21st. Youth members of the Dover, NH Youth to Youth Coalition presented to the group on youth leadership, advocacy and activism.
 - Smoke-Free/Vape-Free Parks: TPAUD, in partnership with Sustainable Trumbull, will go before the Parks & Rec Commission on Monday, March 8th to educate on new trends in youth and young adult vaping, as well as the benefits of a tobacco-free policy at all town parks and open areas.
 - Vaping resources: Developed in partnership with the Let's #MentionPrevention Taskforce, TPAUD is sharing a series of posts on Facebook promoting adult/child conversations around vaping. Each post links to the Discussion Guide for Parents, which is available digitally on the TPAUD website. A digital Kids' Discussion Guide is in the works, along with an animated PSA which will be shared on Facebook and on the TPAUD website.

Upcoming Events:

- March 8th, Parks & Rec Commission Meeting, 7:00pm via Zoom
- March 21st, First Selectman's Youth Advisors, 6:00pm via Zoom
- March 25th, PTSA Council Meeting, 5:30pm via Zoom
- April 6th, Liz Jorgensen, CADC, "Weeding out The Facts About Teens & Today's Marijuana", 7:00pm via Zoom
- May 6th, Hidden in Plain Sight, 7:00pm via Zoom

2020-21 Coalition Meeting Dates: March 17th, April 21st, May 19th, June TBD