

# **Allamakee Prevention Advisory Meeting**

Thursday, August 8th, 2024 from 11:30-12:30

Location: Postville Public Library Meeting Room (235 W Tilden St)

Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83896718007

Meeting ID: 838 9671 8007

"Allamakee Prevention Advisory is a group of individuals focused on guiding grant funds to advocate, educate, and provide awareness to positively impact the health and wellness of Allamakee County."

**In Attendance:** Ashley Havenstrite (Tobacco Prevention); Leah Hemesath (IPN Prevention); Ellie Loesch (Youth Mentoring); Paul Wagner (Waukon Police Chief)

#### **Welcome & Introductions**

Updates for the Coalition & Upcoming collaboration opportunities

### Northeast Iowa Wellness & Recreation Center and Allamakee County Sheriff's Office:

- The WRC got a grant to sponsor 10 people to go through Mental Health First Aid Training which is a 6-8 hour course.
- 3 of the spots will be used by members of the Allamakee County S.O.

#### Youth Mentoring:

- 7 matches with 1 boy and 4 girls waiting for a mentor
- Tabled at Lansing school registration on 8/6/and tabled at Lansing Library on 8/13 to look for mentors
- Everything Tobacco: Vapes, chewing, and smokeless tobacco trainings
  - o Option 1: Tuesday, August 27 5:30-6:30 pm.

Register: <a href="https://bit.ly/everythingtobaccoreg">https://bit.ly/everythingtobaccoreg</a>

Attend: <a href="https://bit.ly/everythingtobaccoeveningwatch">https://bit.ly/everythingtobaccoeveningwatch</a>

o Option 2: Thursday, August 29 12:00-1:00 p.m.

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Attend: <a href="https://bit.ly/everythingtobacconoonwatch">https://bit.ly/everythingtobacconoonwatch</a>

#### **Tobacco Prevention:**

- No iSTEP updates at this time (waiting for school to start)
- Stanford Curriculum presentations planned for Waukon middle school
- Working toward more nicotine free park & trails policies
- Will look into quitline enrollment numbers & smoke-free air act compliance
- Cessation social media suggestions
- Tobacco compliance checks (Chief Wagner gave numbers)

- o Of 16 checks in Allamakee in 2023, 3 businesses were noncompliant
- 4 businesses noncompliant so far in 2024

### **Integrated Provider Network Prevention:**

- TIPS Training scheduled for Aug 21 at Lid's from 4-7pm
- Curriculum-Based Support Groups: Will reach out for groups in Spring '25
- Gambling in the Workplace Toolkits are available to anyone interested. Reach out to Leah at <a href="mailto:lhemesath@helpingservices.org">lhemesath@helpingservices.org</a> for more information.
- Media campaigns:
  - o Savor Every Moment was boosted on Facebook for the month of August.
  - Be #1 At Getting Help was boosted on Facebook normalizing getting help for gambling harms. A marketing plan is also being developed.

#### **Old Business:**

- APA Marketing Plan
- Capacity Checklist Results
- Postville Farmers Market Tabling- How did this go?
  - Lower reach than expected, increased promotion with providing free water.
  - o Many kids may not be the top choice for a Hidden in Plain Sight

### **New Business:**

- Postville Vape Shop Environmental Scan
  - Lots of different items: vapes, alcohol, kratom, shrums, stashes, etc.
  - o They have regular snacks, blankets, & arcade games w/ vapes as reward
  - Had to call PD on an individual who would not leave the shop who they knew was underage
- Communities Talk: Deadline Oct. 30th, 2024
  - Hidden In Plain Sight- Find Location and Date/Time: School conferences or teacher in-services?
    - Ashley reach out to Postville & Allamakee schools
    - Ellie reach out to Lansing school
    - Paul offered to partner with us
  - New Items for HIPS: 2 pairs of Buckle Smugglers jeans w/ hidden pill storage, water bottle w/ stash, lysol can & dog food can w/ stashes, wake & vape sign, pill organizers, backpack w/ lock, smell proof, & charging port, bedding set, & vape
  - \$190 left for promoting HIPS event

- APA has received \$3,125 in DCAT HAWC Substance Abuse Community Based Services for FY'25!
  - Budget Includes:
    - Marketing (radio, Spotify, newspaper, Facebook boosts) = \$1,500
    - Promotional items to use at community events and trainings = \$625
      - Look into items geared towards children
    - Town Hall Event on Substance Use Prevention = \$500
      - Possibly for May?
    - ACEs Training Promotion and Marketing, snacks = \$500

## **Next Steps:**

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 12th from 11:30-12:30 at the Lid's Bar & Grill (1350 9th St SW, Waukon, IA 52172)

If you wish to add something to the agenda, please contact: allamakeepreventionadvisory@amail.com