



Meeting: Youth & Family Services/Access to ATOD

Date: November 9, 2011

**Kalamazoo County Substance Abuse Task Force
Minutes**

Present: Yasaman Back (O), Tonya Collins (YS), Yvette Harrison (LE), Gretchen Lemmer (YS), Pam Stinchcomb (YS)

Sector Key – Y=Youth, P=Parent, B=Business, M=Media, S=School, YS= Youth Serving Organization, LE=Law Enforcement, RF=Religious/Fraternal, CV=Civic/Volunteer Group, HP= Healthcare Professional, G= State/local Government, O=Other Organization

Item	Discussion	Action
<p>Secure Your Meds Campaign Education Visits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ed visits went very well this year • Pharmacies and healthcare were willing to participate. • There were a few healthcare offices that it was difficult to speak with the appropriate person. • There are still a few volunteers that need to turn in commitment forms from pharmacists and/or healthcare offices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members that were present turned in their education commitment forms. • Still need commitment forms from a few other members of the group. • Tonya will follow up those who still need to turn in forms.
<p>Health Care Forum Discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to find out what will draw healthcare administrators to our forum. Why will they want to attend? What information will they want to hear? What matters to them when it comes the issue of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tonya will ask physicians what they would want to get from a forum like this if they were to attend at the ProMed Lunch & Learn meeting she will be presenting at and report back to the

<p>Additional Objectives for This Coming Fiscal Year . . .</p> <p>TF Newsletter</p>	<p>Rx/OTC drug abuse?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will be inviting area schools to partner with us to assess, establish, and incorporate policies and systems for those students that need access to their medication during the school day. The 1st quarterly issue of the Task Force Newsletter will be released during the last week of November. Our group reviewed the newsletter and provided Yasaman Back, TF volunteer and lead on the Newsletter project, with feedback and suggestions. 	<p>group at next subcommittee meeting (Dec 14).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect current school policies specific and/or related to this issue. (Tonya will contact KRESA to see if they have policies for area schools on file and report back at Dec 14 subcommittee meeting). Start researching what other schools around the country are doing to address the issue of safely dispensing medication to students who need it during the school day. (Pam Stinchcomb, Yvette Harrison will report any findings at Dec 14 subcommittee meeting). The 1st Quarterly Newsletter will be disseminated electronically. All Task Force members should look for their copy of the Quarterly Task Force Newsletter during the last week of November, 2011.
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Next Youth & Family Services/Access to ATOD Subcommittee Meeting:

December 14, 2011 from noon to 1 PM

Location: Prevention Works, 611 Whitcomb, Suite A, Kalamazoo-49008

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