

Downingtown Area – Communities That Care

Prevention Partners Meeting

Tuesday, December 15, 2015, 12:30-1:30 pm – Lionville YMCA

Attendees: Cynthia Black (CTC Board President), Stephanie Winegar (CTC Board Secretary and parent), Nina Mickens (CTC BOA/Citadel FCU), Casey Jones (Transformation Initiative), Tina Forsythe (DASD), Kathy Collier (CC Drug & Alcohol), Kim Stone (CC Health Department), Lauren Rudolph (Main Line Health), Judy Haupt (LATO/Parent), Dee Person (Patriot Health/StudioDee Girls Institute), Selena Morresi (CARON)

Welcome & Introductions:

Cynthia welcomed everyone to the holiday pot luck and explained Libby was home with her son who is recovering from surgery.

Approval of November 2015 Minutes:

Minutes will be submitted for approval at January's meeting

General/Community Announcements and Updates:

- Kim Stone informed the group that the health department is working on programs to prevent overdoses.
- Lauren Rudolph is a therapist working with adolescent drug and alcohol programs.
- Judy Haupt discussed LATO (Life After Trauma Organization) – pilot program to prevent 12-17 year olds getting lured into sex trafficking. Working on training for school guidance counselors to make students aware of how they can be lured. Free program.
- Tina Forsythe informed the group that as was done at Thanksgiving, DASD communications will be “Turned Off to Tune Into Family” over the upcoming holiday break. She is scheduling lunch speakers about once a month focusing on mental health at West. First program had about 100 students.
- Selena Morresi reminded the group they offer tobacco/nicotine cessation programs.
- Cynthia shared insight gleaned from the meeting she and Libby had with Coatesville's CTC. They shared that CTC is a process to bring about change in community (behavior norms of community) and to bring together people who want to help youth prevention. Also, Libby and Laura Obenski (CC AVOID) met with Coach Read (Driver's Ed teacher at Dtown East) and got the approval to be guest speakers along with Uwchlan Township police and CVC of West Chester to run a developed Beer Goggles Curriculum.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2015, 12:30-1:30