



Data Work Group

A local epidemiology workgroup focused on alcohol and other drug problems as well as prevention, treatment and recovery services

Meeting

August 30, 2018 – 2:30-4:00 PM

New Orleans Drug Enforcement Agency Field Office, 18th Floor Training Room
3838 North Causeway Blvd., Ste. 1800 - Three Lakeview Center,
Metairie, LA. 70002

<see directions below>

Conference Call-in: 703-285-0203 meeting code 16000#

AGENDA

1. Roll call
2. Review agenda and Minutes

Updates and Reports:

3. OPH/ Bureau of Health Informatics (Theresa Pham)
4. 2018 CCYS Implementation in NOLA (Ed Puyau)
5. ACCESS 2017 SBIRT (Seton Jenkins)
6. Gulf Coast High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) (Don Petty)
7. Enforcement Data and Initiatives (NOPD) (Ben Horwitz)
8. Federal Sources for Treatment Data (TEDS, N-SSATS) (Bob Gallati)
9. National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) (Bob Gallati)

Adjournment

10. Announcements from working members and associates
11. Schedule next meeting and adjournment

Directions: Travel north on N. Causeway Blvd. Make a left turn onto 6th Street just before entering the causeway over the lake. Travel 150 feet and make a right onto Lakeway (5th Street). Continue on Lakeway which **turns to the right**. Just before the end of the street, enter the building parking lot on the right at “Three Lakeway.” Park on the 6th or 7th floor. **Bring your parking stub to the meeting.** Take the garage elevator down to the ground floor. When exiting the garage elevator, go to the right. You will see a bank of building elevators. There will be touch pads by the elevators. You will use the touch pad to indicate which floor you want (18th). It will tell you which elevator to take. There should be a person at the desk in the lobby to assist you if needed.

Charge for the Data Work Group

February 2017

The Data Work Group is a *local epidemiological workgroup* focused on

- alcohol and other drug use, risk and protective factors, and consequences as well as on
- prevention, treatment and recovery services which address substance use problems.

The DWG is sponsored by the **Greater New Orleans Drug Demand Reduction Coalition**. The Coalition seeks to prevent substance abuse through prevention, treatment and law enforcement for a safe and healthy community from early childhood through to adulthood. The coalition supports evidence-based programs, policies and practices to reduce the demand for drugs through education, data collection, information sharing, advocacy, capacity building, and community collaboration.

Purpose of Data Work Group

Improve *availability, access* and *quality* of data at the local level in order to address substance use problems by

- informing state and local policy development,
- supporting comprehensive local planning and
- targeting resources and programming.

Priorities of Data Work Group

1. Promote data sharing and collaboration among agencies at the local, state and federal levels to strengthen the data infrastructure and provide access to information supporting the strategic and action plans.
2. Provide a forum and a process for identifying information needs and gaps, developing strategies for obtaining and analyzing the needed data, and implementing those strategies.
3. Support data initiatives of the Coalition by making data resources available and/or providing advice and review regarding data collection, analysis, report development, dissemination and utilization. Coalition data initiatives include:
 - a. dramatically increasing school participation in the biennial Caring Communities Youth Survey (CCYS), especially in support of neighborhood prevention projects;
 - b. neighborhood environmental scans;
 - c. the Community Substance Use Health Profile and Dashboard;
 - d. increasing prevention and treatment provider participation in the HIDTA Drug Threat Assessment survey.

Participation in Data Work Group

Members of the work group include persons and organizations which have a stake in the use of data for addressing substance use problems. These may include state and local government agencies, epidemiologists, health professionals, law enforcement agencies, service providers, community members, church leaders, educators, and academics.

Meetings

The Data Work Group typically meets bi-monthly for approximately 90 minutes. Materials for review are distributed ahead of the meeting. Participation by telephone conferencing is available.