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Pasco County
Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention

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ASAP Mission:
"To develop, motivate, and encourage strategic relationships that reduce county risk factors and decrease substance abuse rates among youth and adults."

HEADLINES:

Pasco STAND Youth at CADCA's Training Institute

Six STAND Youth and two STAND leaders joined more than 1,700 substance abuse prevention specialists from across the country at Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America's (CADCA) 2014 Mid-Year Training Institute in Orlando, Fla. July 20-24.

CADCA's Mid-Year Training Institute is a one-of-a-kind intensive training opportunity, offering more than 70 half-day and two-day courses geared towards helping participants find solutions to their community's toughest substance abuse problems. Attendees participated in a variety of lecture and hands-on sessions to expand their knowledge in prevention science and improve their skills in implementing evidence-based strategies to reduce drug and alcohol use.

"We are fortunate to be able to spend a week with other similar organizations from across the country, learning and honing our skills so we can more effectively prevent drug and alcohol abuse," says Shelah Neece, STAND Co-Coordinator.

"We returned reenergized with new strategies under our belt to tackle drug use and its associated problems in Pasco County," said Keith Bell STAND Co-Coordinator.



COMMUNITY CORNER

Together We Stand for Safe Schools



This will be a fun, high-energy event to support our student leaders who are preventing bullying by making their schools safer and more inclusive. The 5K will be professionally timed, and all levels of runners and walkers are welcome. T-shirt included with registration. Event details and schedule:

- The 5K is at Jay B. Starkey Wilderness Park.
- Registration and sign-in will begin at 7 am at Shelter 5 on September 13.
- The 5K will begin at 8:30 am.
- Carpooling is encouraged.

http://www.active.com/new-port-richey-fl/running/distance-running-races/together-we-stand-5k-for-safe-schools-2014

Don't Roll Up, Roll Out: Florida's Youth Keeping it Real about Marijuana POSTER CONTEST!

TALLAHASEE, Fla., August 7, 2014 — Although too young to vote, Florida students have launched a new anti-marijuana group, ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out***, to educate and motivate kids and teens across the state to participate in drug-free activities. Their goal? To make a difference and encourage Floridians to learn as much as they can about the harms of marijuana. The students are very concerned about Amendment 2, a proposed measure that would legalize marijuana under the guise that it will be for medicinal purposes and are worried that, if passed, it would send a bad message to their peers with negative consequences. The group has joined the grassroots campaign, Don't Let Florida Go To Pot (www.DontLetFLgotoPot.com) as a voice of Florida's youth.

The student-led group, ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out*** is kicking off its launch with an inaugural poster contest open to students in the SunCoast region of Florida that will demonstrate and share information about the dangers of marijuana. Students will be asked to create artwork with the theme "Florida Youth Keeping it Real About Marijuana" to depict how to live a drug-free life and illustrate the truth about the dangers of marijuana use.

"We want to get the word out to students that marijuana is a dangerous drug and should be avoided at all costs," said student Heaven Taylor-Wynn. "The ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out*** group's hope is that by unifying and promoting our voices through opportunities such as the poster contest, we'll send a message to others that drugs aren't welcome in Florida."

The contest is divided into two age groups, 9-13 and 14-17, and entries will be judged by a panel of community leaders. Overall winners from each age group will receive an iPad Mini, with additional prizes being offered to each age group for most creative and best messaging. Participating counties

within the SunCoast region include DeSoto, Manatee, Sarasota, Hillsborough, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Pasco and Pinellas.

"I'm thrilled to be part of an effort that allows students to showcase their creativity while empowering them to abstain from pot," said Calvina Fay, ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out*** judge and executive director of Drug Free America. "There's no question that the pervasiveness of drugs in our culture is overwhelming, but efforts such as the ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out*** movement allow students to take action against substance abuse in such a tangible way that over time, I'm confident they will inspire their peers to do the same."

Don't Roll Up, Roll Out is a self-created youth group with approximately 20 members and growing that formed under Drug Free America Foundation. The effort was organized after a member of Drug Free America Foundation spoke to a group of students, and those students decided to take matters into their own hands by forming the anti-marijuana group. The ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out*** youth commission currently meets once a month in the Tampa Bay area, and as its membership grows, the students will be meeting in additional locations across Florida.

For more information about ***Don't Roll Up, Roll Out***, visit its Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/DontRollUpRollOut/timeline. For more information about the student poster contest, visit http://dfaf.org/Poster%20Contest%20Rules.pdf.

RESEARCH

Res 2013 Pasco County Alcohol and Policy Prescription Drug Use Survey Results

309 participants, both youth and adults, participated in the 2013 survey, Survey completed by ASAP

Concerns about Alcohol and Prescription Drug Problems

How concerned are you about the following:	Not at all Concerned	A Little Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Very Concerned
Underage drinking	5%	9%	31%	54%
Drunk driving	3%	1%	13%	84%
Prescription drug abuse	3%	3%	18%	76%
Driving under the influence of prescription drugs	3%	7%	21%	69%
Prescription overdoses	4%	5%	21%	70%
Prescription overdose deaths	4%	5%	21%	70%
Physicians prescribing larger amounts of addictive prescription drugs than necessary	4%	6%	23%	67%
People crushing their prescriptions before ingesting them	9%	17%	29%	45%
People snorting or injecting prescription drugs	4%	9%	27%	60%

Alcohol and Prescription Drug Policies (2013)

How strongly would you favor or oppose the following alcohol and prescription drug policies:	Strongly Oppose	Somewhat Oppose	Somewhat Favor	Strongly Favor	Not Sure
At public events, having family zones where alcohol is not allowed	5%	7%	23%	64%	1%
Additional DUI law enforcement operations	3%	4%	24%	63%	6%
Retail compliance checks (checks of alcohol retailers insuring compliance with alcohol laws)	4%	3%	19%	69%	5%
Party patrol operations (social hosting)	9%	13%	24%	50%	4%
Additional law enforcement operations (excluding DUI enforcement)	5%	7%	30%	53%	5%
Moratorium (delay or suspension) on new pain clinics	6%	6%	27%	50%	10%
Additional pain clinic regulations	4%	5%	29%	56%	6%
Stricter penalties for possession of narcotic medications without a prescription	5%	7%	19%	66%	3%
Family physicians talking about your alcohol use at each visit	4%	9%	32%	50%	5%

SPOTLIGHT

Pasco Marijuana Survey- Make Sure Your Voice is Heard and Take the Survey!

To date 154 Pasco residents have participated in a Community Survey of Marijuana Beliefs and Attitudes. Tell us what you think and take the survey here: https://www.justsurvey.me/436f66746e61
Below are some of the results to date:

Percentage of Age Group of respondents…

Under 18	25.0%
18-24	10.53%
24-34	17.76%
35-54	26.97%
Over 55	19.08%

Percentage of Respondents that Believe Marijuana Impairs…

Driving Ability	77.63%
Memory	80.92%
Emotional Development	71.05%
Motivation	73.03%
Attention	66.45%
Organizational Skills	51.97%

Percentage of Respondents that Believe it is Important that Youth Do Not Use Marijuana Before they are 18 Years Old…

Strongly Agree	56.58%
Agree	34.21%
Neutral	3.95%
Disagree	0.66%
Strongly Disagree	3.29%
I don't know	0.66%

Percentage of Respondents that Believe Marijuana Medicinal Values are Only Beneficial With Specific Diseases…

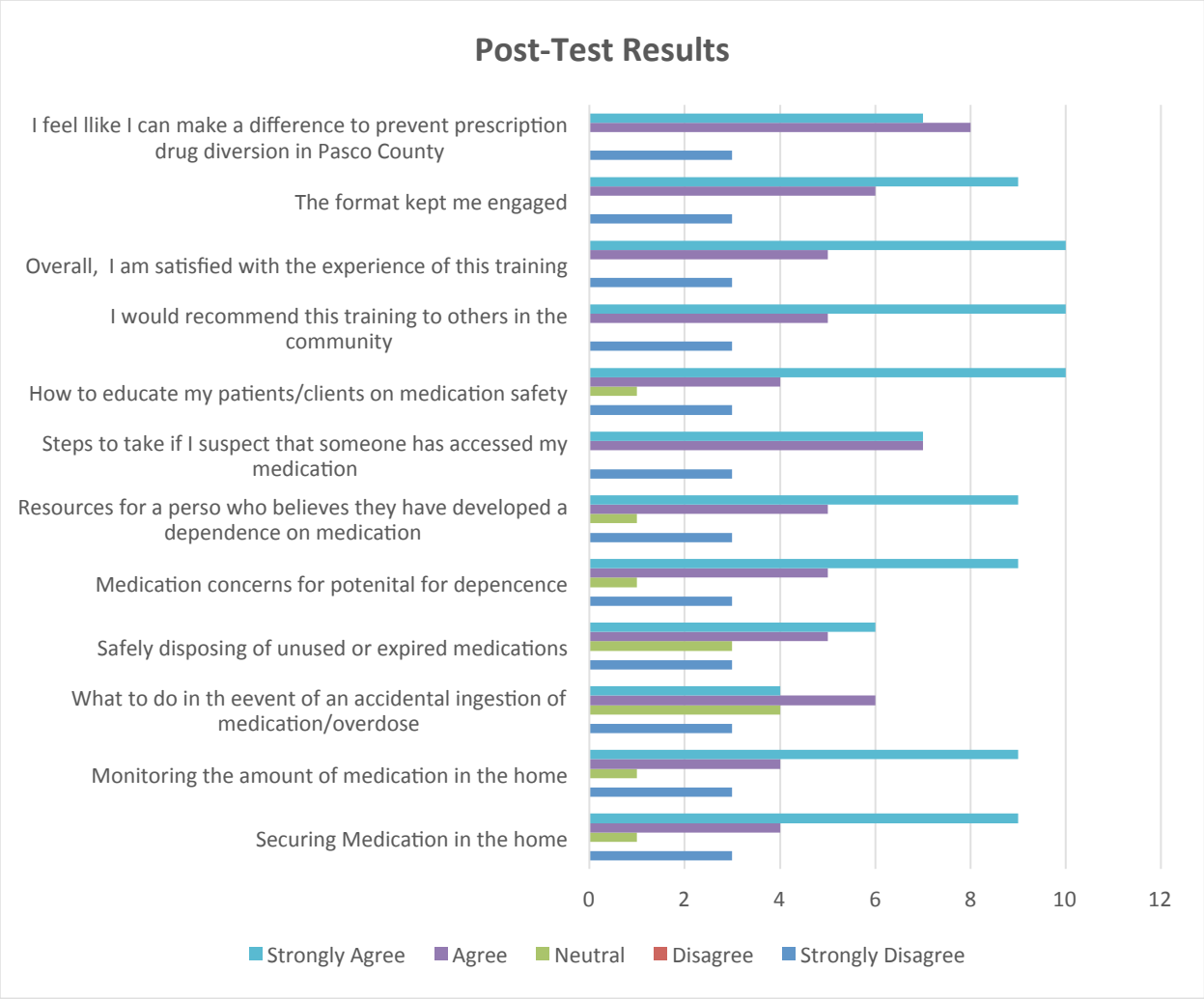
Strongly Agree	24.34%
Agree	29.61%
Neutral	13.16%
Disagree	21.71%
Strongly Disagree	0.0%
I don't know	9.87%

Percentage of Respondents that Believe Zoning Language should Limit Marijuana Dispensaries like Alcohol Stores and Adult Bookstores to Prevent Set Up Next to Schools, Libraries, and Daycare Centers...

Strongly Agree	50.0%
Agree	42.11%
Neutral	3.95%
Disagree	1.32%
Strongly Agree	1.97%
I don't know	0.66%

Medication Safety Project

The first Medication Safety It's More Than Side Effects Training was successful according to the post test answers. A new poster was developed with these results for the Academy of Medical Surgical Nursing Conference in September. The next class is schedule for the Advanced Pain Management Pay for Skills Nurses at the end of August. This program is one hour and can easily be fit into a staff meeting or lunch and learn. If your business is interested, please contact Chrissie Parris cparris@pascoasap.com or 727-597-2284





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many opportunities to volunteer with ASAP! To get involved in an upcoming event, contact Chrissie Parris cparris@pascoasap.com or 727-597-2284.

Event Date	Event Name	Time and Location
Saturday, August 30th	Kids Health and Safety Day	J. Ben Harrill Recreation Complex 2830 Gulf Trace Blvd. Holiday FL 34691 10am – 2pm
Saturday, September 13	Crews Lake Appreciation Day	Crews Lake 16739 Crews Lake Drive, Shady Hills, Fl 34610 10am -4pm

2014 ASAP Meeting Dates

Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month from 10am to 12pm at: Land O'Lakes Community Center, 5401 Land O'Lake Boulevard (US 41), Land O'Lakes, FL 34638

August 26, 2014

September 23, 2014

October 21, 2014

Annual Luncheon TBD

2014 ASAP Executive Committee



Debbie Antioco, Tracey Kaly, Art Rowand, Paula Green, Phil Cohen, Chrissie Parris (Not Pictured: Chris Wittmann and Leslie Gervase)

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