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:

5th Annual Cyclone Rally

The Centennial Middle School SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) and Pasco County Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) Invite you to the….

5th Annual Cyclone Rally
Against Underage Drinking and Medication Abuse

Youth, Parents, Teachers, Officials, and Community Members are invited! Guest Speakers Judge Pat Siracusa, Fire and Rescue Chief Andy Fossa, and SADD Club President Steven DeRolf.

Where: Centennial Middle School
38505 Centennial Road, Dade City, FL 33525
When: Thursday, May 1, 2014- 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Cost: FREE!!
Join us for food, door prizes, and chances to win gift certificates!
For More information contact: Cpl Scott Raymer 352 524 9700

Do you know…
How underage drinking and medication abuse affect the body?
Current consequences and laws regarding underage drinking and medication abuse?
Strategies to reduce underage access to alcohol and medications in the home?
How you can implement changes in our community?

Food Sponsored By:

Little Caesars

COMMUNITY CORNER

Safe Festival Scan

The Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention of Pasco County INVITES YOU TO participate in a Safe Festival Scan. Observe alcohol usage at local events to enhance public safety at community events. Volunteer Hours for TEENS!

When: Thursday, March 22 , 2014 from 12:00pm – 3:00pm
Where: Sims Park, 6346 River Rd, New Port Richey, FL 34653

For More Information contact: Shelah Neece at (727) 348-1958 or Shelah.Neece@baycare.org





Join the Discussion on Sustaining Community Action

Prevention is now a nationwide priority, and as the public health system evolves, we must work collaboratively and effectively to impact the health of our community. Empower local action by joining us to discuss capacity building and sustainability of local coalitions, partnerships and committees.

LOCATION
April 11, 2014 8:30– 11:30
Florida Department of Health in Pasco County
10841 Little Road New Port Richey, FL

AGENDA
8:30 – 8:45 Welcome and Introductions
8:45 – 10:15 Building Capacity for Sustainability
10:15 – 11:00 Evaluation of Effectiveness
11:00 – 11:15 A discussion of Health in all policies
11:15 – 11:30 Closing Comments

RSVP by April 4th to Deanna.Krautner@flhealth.gov

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Safe Kids Day

The Shops at Wiregrass- 28211 Paseo Dr., Wesley Chapel, Florida 33543

Saturday April 12, 2014- 10am to 2pm

ACTIVITIES*SMOKEY BEAR*PRIZES* AND GUEST APPEARANCES



The Shops AT WIREGRASS

Staywell KIDS A WellCare Company

all children's hospital JOHNS HOPKINS MEDICINE

Educational Information provided by All Children's Hospital and Florida Suncoast Safe Kids.

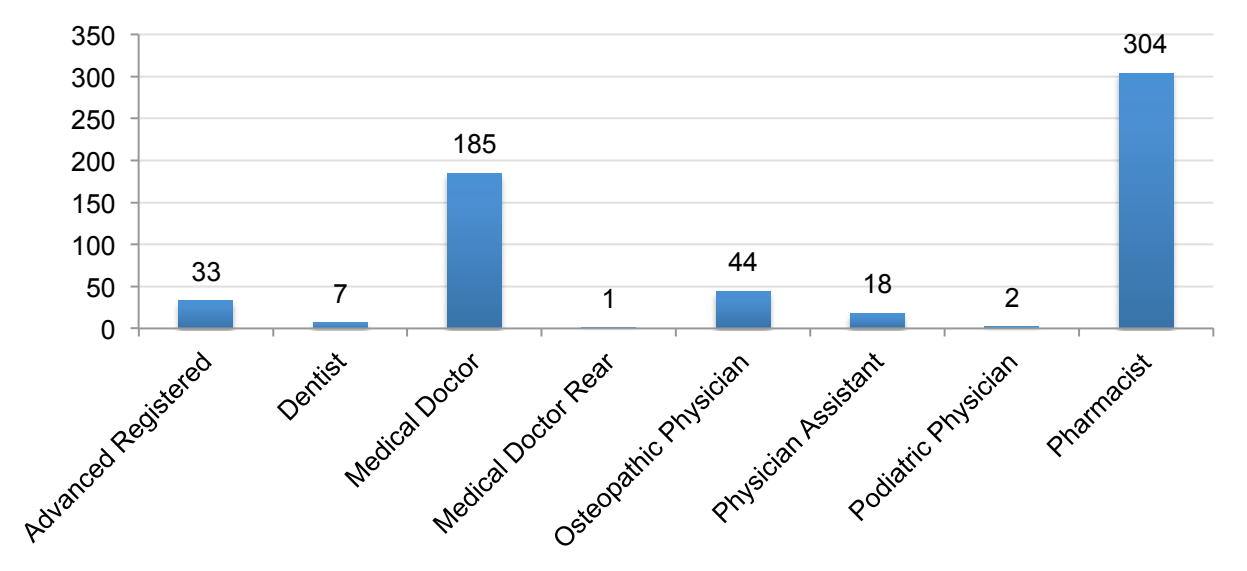
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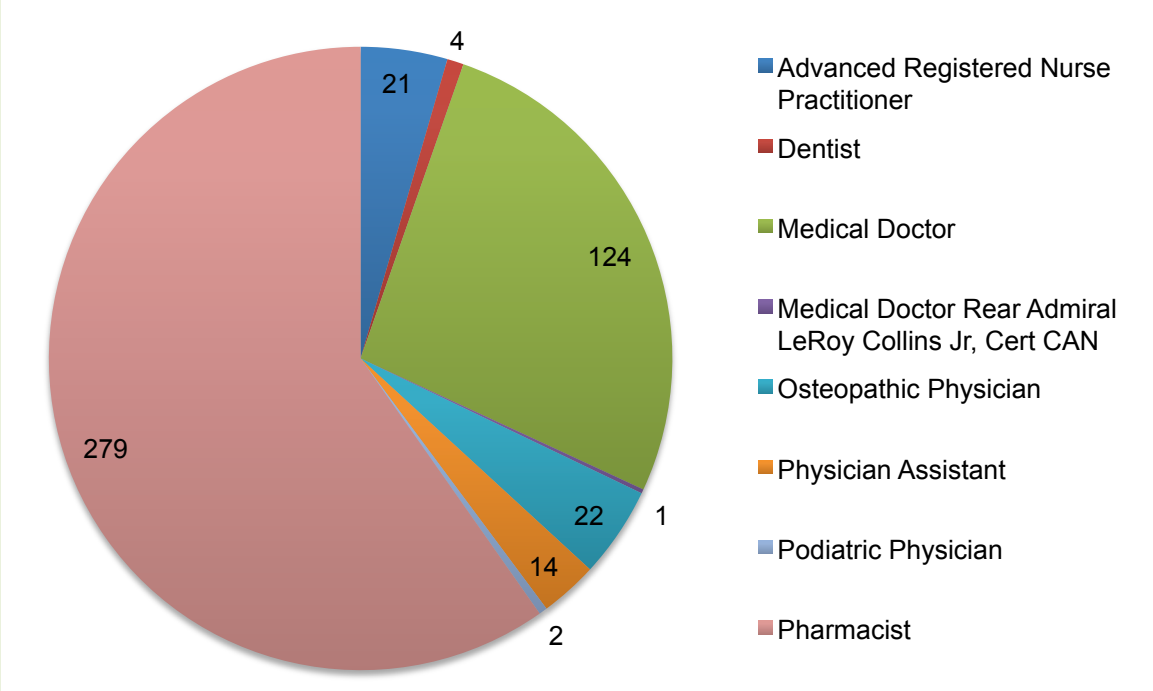
EFORCSE Utilization- Florida's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Data

EFORCSE Utilization as of December 2013 for Pasco County

Breakdown of Types of Medical Professionals Using E-FORCSE in Pasco County (Total =594)



Amount of Users (467 total) by Type that have Queried



From the 467 medical professionals in Pasco County that have made queries in the E-FORCSE system, there have been a total of 247,054 queries as of December 31, 2013, almost three times the amount from December 31, 2012 (86,694).

User Type	Users	Users that Queried	Number of Queries
Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner	33	21	8,326
Dentist	7	4	93
Medical Doctor	185	124	57,923
Medical Doctor Rear Admiral LeRoy Collins Jr, Cert CAN	1	1	6,482
Osteopathic Physician	44	22	8,277
Physician Assistant	18	14	2,197
Podiatric Physician	2	2	291
Pharmacist	304	279	163,465
TOTAL	**594**	**467**	**247,054**

SPOTLIGHT

Welcome, Leslie Gervase, the ASAP Board!



Leslie joined the ASAP Coalition in 2012. She works for Morton Plant North Bay Hospital as a Patient Care Leader and coordinates care for a group of acute care patients in the inpatient setting. She has been an oncology nurse for over thirty years, and has been certified in oncology nursing for over 12 years. Her interest in pain management began due to her interest in cancer pain. She recently became certified in pain management nursing, and has completed nursing research in pain management nursing in the acute care setting. She is expanding her research knowledge within the hospital and in the community setting for ASAP with a focus on substance abuse disorders.

She served on the American Cancer Society Board of Directors in 2011-2013, and is the Advocacy Chairperson for the 2014 American Cancer Society Volunteer Leadership Council for 2014.
She graduated with a nursing diploma program in Ohio in 1984, and graduated in 2008 with a BA in Healthcare Management from Eckerd College. She is currently working toward her MSN with Liberty University.
In her spare time, she and her husband volunteer and assist with fundraising with Whippet Rescue Florida, and have two whippets of their own. When not working or studying, she enjoys cooking, baking, including dog treats for her pets. She spends time at the local parks and the beach with her husband and dogs.

Some Say New Prescription Pain Pill Could Become a Problem

Bay News 9
By Cait McVey, Reporter
Last Updated: Thursday, February 27, 2014

Zohydro is a new prescription pill about to hit the market and doctors say just one capsule packs the same pain killing punch as up to five hydrocodone pills.

"The whole idea of a long acting medication is to try and make patients lives easier and free them up from taking a bottle with them wherever they go," said Dr. Casey O'Donnell, with the Trinity Spine Center.

Good in theory until, O'Donnell said, someone decides to chew the time release capsule, rather than let it run its course. Some says it's a scary thought for a nation already battling a prescription pill epidemic.

The anti-opioid coalition "Fed Up" sent a letter to the FDA on Wednesday, asking the agency to review its decision to release the drug to the public. Before that, members of Congress did the same, along with 28 state attorneys general, including Florida's own Pam Bondi.

There is more of the same sentiment locally.
Members of the Pasco County Sheriff's Office say prescription drug abuse and crime go hand in hand and the introduction of this new pill to the market will only make a bad situation worse."

Of about 1,500 inmates housed at the Land O' Lakes Jail, the sheriff's office says more than 500 were treated for pill abuse last quarter.

"Almost all of our crimes have a nexus to drug use. From theft, feeding the addiction to homicides," said Sgt. Bill Davis.

"We've spent years trying to get a handle on the prescription drug epidemic. I don't want another pill out there that's just going to replace the problems we've already had."

But Zogenix, the company producing the drug, stands by its product, releasing the following statement:
"We are confident in the decision by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to approve Zohydro ER after an extended, 18-month, comprehensive and thorough review process."

If taken correctly, Doctor O'Donnell said it could help treat chronic pain. But he said, he will be in no rush to prescribe it at his office. The drug is too new he said. And, there are already more than enough lower dosage option available.

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

March 25, 2014

April 22, 2014

May 27, 2014

June 24, 2014

July 22, 2014

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)

Tracey Kaly, Chair
Art Rowand, Vice Chair
Paula Green, Secretary
Debbie Antioco, Treasurer
Chrissie Parris, Coalition Staff
Phil Cohen, Board Member at Large
Chris Wittmann, Board Member at Large
Leslie Gervase, Board Member at Large