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:

CADCA Leadership Forum

ASAP is excited to share that Pasco coalition members will be in presenting a workshop and during the ideas fair at CADCA's 24th National Leadership Forum, the nation's premier and largest training event for community prevention leaders, treatment professionals and researchers, and SAMHSA's 10th Prevention Day! Chrissie Parris and Lisa A. Jones from Central Florida Behavioral Health Network are presenting the workshop "Community Health and Wellness and A Coalition's Role", one of more than 80 in-depth courses offered at the CADCA Forum. The poster "Safe Festivals: A Guide To Best Practices" submitted by ASAP members Katy Fritz, BayCare Behavioral Health, and Mary Rubin, Youth and Family Alternatives, will be showcased among 50 other coalitions at the ideas fair where coalitions share innovative and effective strategies and interventions, as well as useful tips, tools, and resources to help others incorporate these ideas into their own coalition work.

Held February 3-6, 2014 in National Harbor, Md., the CADCA Forum brings together nearly 3,000 local, state and national experts in the drug prevention and treatment fields. For details about the CADCA Forum, including course descriptions, speaker information, accommodations and more, visit: http://forum.cadca.org.



COMMUNITY CORNER

2014 Bay Area Tobacco Summit



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 07, 2014
Time: 8:00 - 4:30PM
Location: Bethany Center
18150 Bethany Center Drive
Lutz, FL 33558

Register online at:
www.ahecregistration.org
Registration is FREE



Includes: Breakfast, Lunch, CEUs, and all Program Materials
For information contact:
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Overview
The purpose of the 2014 Bay Area Tobacco Summit is to bring Bay Area Health and Wellness Professionals together to educate and inform them about the newest tobacco related treatment options, trends and areas of interest. This one-day Summit will host speakers from the Florida Department of Health in Pasco County, Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention, Orlando VA Medical Center, James A. Haley Veteran's Hospital, MedVision, Suwannee River Area Health Education Center and the Tobacco Free Partnership of Pasco County.

Who Should Attend
Physicians, Dentists, Pharmacists, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists/Technicians, Mental Health Professionals, Substance Abuse Counselors, Tobacco Cessation Specialists, Public Health Professionals, Health Educators, Worksite Wellness Professionals, Human Resource Professionals and other working professionals who want to encourage others to live healthy and tobacco free.

Session Topics
· _Systems change and the Affordable Care Act
· _Pharmacotherapy of Smoking Cessation
· _Screening for Tobacco Use in a Healthcare Setting
· _Motivational Interviewing Techniques for Smoking Cessation
· _Electronic Cigarettes and Threats to Tobacco Policy
· _Current Tobacco Policy and Control

Accreditation
LCSW, LMHC, LMFT - Gulfcoast North Area Health Education Center, Inc. is a Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling approved provider of Continuing Education. CE Broker ID Provider # 50-839. This program meets the requirements for up to **6.0** contact hours.
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RESEARCH

Pasco County Poison Control Calls

	2010	2011	2012	2013
Number of drug related exposures due to substance abuse, misuse or suicide attempt with benzodiazepines, opioids, cocaine and heroin (FL Poison Center calls)	362	314	216	234
Number of drug related exposures due to suicide attempts with benzodiazepines, opioids, cocaine and heroin (FL Poison Center calls)	240	208	138	148
Number of suicide attempts by overdose on prescription pain relievers, muscle relaxants and sedatives (FL Poison Center calls)	302	273	194	189
Number of teens aged 13-19 who abuse or misuse prescription pain relievers, muscle relaxants and sedatives (FL Poison Center calls)	12	13	4	19
Number of suicide attempts by any type of substance (FL Poison Center calls)	487	462	383	387

- From 2012 to 2013, the amount of suicide attempts by any type of substance decreased.
- The amount of calls for teens who misused prescription drugs more than tripled.

SPOTLIGHT

PASCO SWAT



The highly anticipated SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco) Skills Summit was held on Saturday, December 7 at Generations Church in Trinity, Florida. The summit was a collaboration between the Florida Department of Health in Pasco County, Pasco County SWAT, Radio Disney of Tampa Bay, the Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention, and Generations Church. All Tampa Bay SWAT students and Pasco County STAND members were invited to attend.

In addition to learning about various SWAT policy initiatives, the students learned how to engage community members in their tobacco control initiatives. In particular, students learned how to tailor messages to their audiences, write public service announcements, and conduct an organized flash mob.

The Florida Department of Health in Pasco County, and Pasco County SWAT will collaborate again with Radio Disney for a community-wide event during Through with Chew Week (February 19- February 25), the national observance week that calls attention to the risks of smokeless tobacco. At this event, SWAT students plan to educate community members about the risks of smokeless and candy flavored tobacco by putting their communication and flash mob skills to practice. If you are interested in helping coordinate this event, please contact the SWAT Coordinator, Monica Rousseau at Monica.Rousseau@flhealth.gov or 727-861-5250 ext. 276.

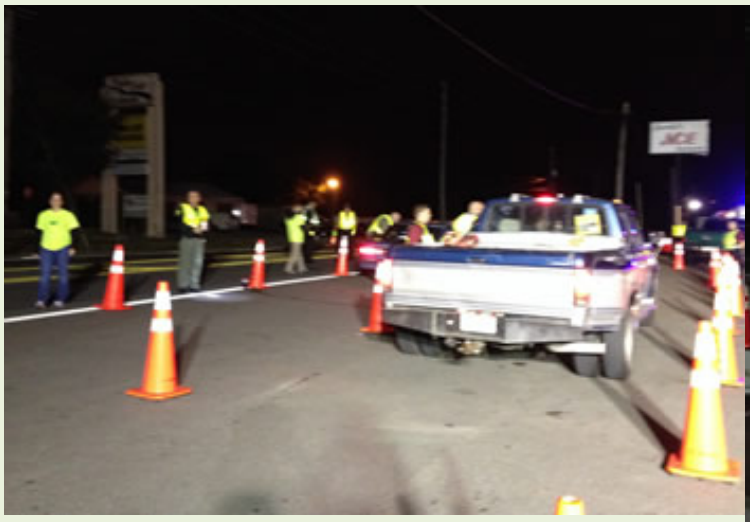
DUI Checkpoint

Pasco Sheriff's Office conducted a DUI checkpoint from 9 - 11pm on December 27th resulting in 3 DUIs, 2 suspended license arrests and 1 marijuana possession charge. STAND youth were there to support the Sheriff's Office, distribute information, and thank safe drivers.

All youth 11-18 are welcome to attend STAND's next meeting Thursday, February13th from 5pm to 6:30pm:

West side:
Rasmussen College - New Port Richey Campus
8661 Citizens Dr.
NPR

East Side:
James Irvin Civic Center
38122 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Dade City 33525





Pasco Doctor Arrested for Operation of Unlicensed Pain Clinic

NEW PORT RICHEY – Pasco Sheriff Chris Nocco announced the conclusion of a nearly two-year investigation with the arrest of a local Pasco doctor for 12 counts of operation of an unlicensed pain clinic.

Beginning in 2012, as a result of complaints from local doctors, pharmacists, and former patients, the PSO Vice and Narcotics Unit began an investigation into the medical office of Dr. Malcolm C. Foster, located at 10130 U.S. Highway 19, Port Richey. That investigation revealed over 75 percent of Foster's patients were being prescribed pain medication, including Oxycodone, Soma, and Xanax.

Due to Florida's epidemic with rogue pain clinics and the over-prescribing of pills, state lawmakers passed Florida Statute 458.3265 in June 2011, with the purpose of regulating these clinics. The statute requires that any medical doctors who prescribe controlled substance medication for pain to more than 50 percent of their patients must receive specialized training and licensing on behalf of the Florida Department of Health (FL DOH).

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

January 28, 2014

February 25, 2014

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

2013 ASAP Executive Committee



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

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