



## COALITION MEETING

July 13, 2021

1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

## AGENDA

Please put your name and your affiliation in Chat

- **WELCOME WITH VISION AND MISSION**  
*Vision-Promote a healthy Decatur, free of the negative effects of alcohol and other drugs on youth and families. Mission: Systematically implement evidence-based strategies to promote the behavioral health of youth and families.*
- **Introductions**
- **Member Spotlight- Presenting the Newest Youth Action Team Members and a Short Summary of upcoming plans.**
- **Root Causes of Local Marijuana Use-Ranked #4 Georgia-WHY**  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DecaturMarijuana>  
*QR CODE ABOVE. Definitions attached.*
- **Sustainability-Opioid Event funding opportunity-Terrie**
- **Partner Updates & Opportunities for Collaboration-**
- **CMAT June event Dee Anderson Decatur Parent Network**
- **Other Parenting Programming-Suicide Awareness?**  
*-August 26 Speaker Event-Stephen Hill*  
*-DHS 101*
- **PSA Placement-Youth and Parents**
- **SAMHSA Partnership for Success Grant-2024 (14-24 y.o./ underage drinking, opioids, stimulants+, illegal drugs)**  
*-Idea Engineering-Illegal Drug Campaign*  
*-Input for surveying 18-24 in community-virtual*  
*-Liaison with Colleges*
- **CDC DFC Grant-2024- (18 & under/ alcohol, nicotine, and marijuana)**  
*-Positive Social Norms, Access, Policy*  
*-Growing Membership*  
*-PreVenture Training-Kick off August*  
*- Training for Coalition Members-CADCA July 12-15*
- **DBHDD ASAPP-2021 (9-18 Underage Drinking and partial RX use**  
*-All Stars Core – Status, Recruitment and Potential Sites (Marnie)*  
*-Early Fall programming + Health Classes (SPORTS proposed)*  
*-Partners In Prevention Proposal-NOA Est. 5/28-Status*
- **NEXT MEETING: August 10<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays @ 1:00)-Short meeting due to Mid-Year**



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Virtual Zoom Meeting

**Attendance (12)** A total of 12 participants in the virtual zoom meeting and conference call. Attendees were: Zakariye Abdulahi (Youth-8.8.05), Prince GioVanni Gumby (Youth-8.29.08), Xylina Jenkins (DeKalb Community Service Board-State SA Tx), Susan Morley (Atlanta Parent Recovery Coach-Parent), Duane Sprull (City Schools of Decatur-Schools), Kimberly Wilson (GUIDE, Inc.-Other SA Org), Devon Johnson (Emory Center- MSAACD-Health), Corey Bivens (Decatur Housing Authority-Youth Serving Organization) Tiffany Cuthbert (DPI Epi), Carol Treible (DPI-Evaluator), Marnie Grozin (DPI Youth Coordinator), Terrie Moore (DPI Executive Director). *See the attached sign-in form.*

**Start:** 1:04 pm

**End:** 2:22 pm

Notes provided by Dee Anderson

**Welcome/Introductions:** DPI Coalition will continue to meet virtually due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Terrie Moore welcomed coalition members, and Marnie Grodzin shared the Vision and Mission. Members introduced themselves virtually via round-robin.

**Root Causes of Local Marijuana Use – Ranked #4 Georgia-WHY? - Terrie Moore-** Terrie shared that Decatur has ranked in the top 5 for the state of Georgia in local Marijuana use among 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth for the last five years. The most recent survey ranked Decatur as #4 in Georgia, and DPI would like to know WHY? Terrie asked all the coalition members to take the Root Causes of Marijuana Use Survey that DPI shared earlier this month. A few members have already done the one-question online survey monkey. DPI wants to look at the root causes and why? The July coalition agenda includes a QR Code is and a link for the survey monkey. (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/DecaturMarijuana>). The coalition input is critical to driving planning and evaluation.

**Sustainability Goals-Opioid Event Funding Opportunity – Terrie Moore** -Terrie shared that DPI met all the long-term goals for the DBHDD ASAPP grant. DPI submitted a proposal for small sustainability and event funding. The \$23,000 grant is approved and focusing on sustaining results and events on opioids drugs. This upcoming DHS school year, DPI will offer an opioid prevention program in the middle school. Evidence-based programs will be shorter. DPI has training in four evidence-based programs: All-Stars Core and Senior, PreVenture, Prevention Plus Wellness, and Drugs: True Stories.

**Partner Updates and Opportunities for Collaboration: Duane Sprull** – Duane shared that he, Marnie, and Terrie met with Mr. Rodney Thomas, the CSD Athletic Director DPI is proposing to offer at least four days each semester in the new health class program. DPI proposes to provide the Prevention Plus Wellness program (PPW) and screen students for inclusion in the PreVenture program. DHS is modifying the bell system this fall year. DHS is designating one hour to WIN Time, clubs, remediation classes, and seven-period days on Fridays. The first 12 weeks of school will only be for the staff, teachers, and associates that are part of the CSD curriculum. No outside visitors are allowed until after the first 12 weeks. Terrie shared that she and Marnie will receive training in the Sports Prevention Plus and Pre-Venture Programs later this month. The developer was successful in the Florida PPW program and offered the program across the nation. Terrie and Marnie presented the PPW to Mr. Thomas, and he wants DPI to incorporate this program to the parents of athletes. **Kimberly Wilson (GUIDE)** shared that they are working in Gwinnett, Rockdale, and DeKalb counties. GUIDE developed prescription drugs and pain medication awareness postcard focused on student-athletes. They made 16,000 6x9 postcards for students and created a tri-fold brochure for their parents and supporters. The title is "What supporters



of student athletics need to know." Terrie would like GUIDE and DPI to collaborate and talk about DPI rights to replicate the process. DPI participates in the "Save the Brain" campaign and will print this brochure and share it with Xylina in DeKalb County and other coalition members. Carol suggested that the DPI YAT team pass out the flyers and postcards at youth sports games. **Susan Morley (Atlanta Parent Recovery Coach) and (DPN)** – Susan shared that she participated in a powerful virtual presentation entitled "The Science of Addiction and Recovery." The webinar was an education about substance use and the adolescent brain. Terrie suggested sharing this webinar during Recovery Month. **Corey Bivens (Decatur Housing Authority)** shared that DHA is getting ready for the upcoming school year by hosting their upcoming afterschool program registrations days. Corey stated that they just finished their summer youth camp with 30 participants and thanked DPI and Marnie for conducting the All-Stars Program, where 14 middle school youth participated in the program. DPI provided Mr. Corey with 25 DPI parent resource bags to share during registration days. Corey also shared that many DHA families are still relocating to Legacy Park and other apartments because of DHA remodeling their apartments. Terrie expressed a thank you to Corey and DHA for hosting the All-Stars Program and looks forward to future opportunities. **Devon Johnson (Emory Center- MSAACD)** Devon shared that Emory is wrapping up their media ads campaigns on substance use, including wrapping Marta trains and rack cards. Devon shared that Emory has lots of materials, brochures, posters and will share them with coalition partners. **Terrie Moore (DPI-CMAT Parents)-** Terrie shared that Dee Anderson (DPI Parent/Outreach Coordinator) is absent due to attending the Mid-Year CADCA Conference Training.

The DPI CMAT Parents' June in-person meeting had the best attendance since the pre-pandemic. There were 17 parents and grandparents in attendance at the DHA Oliver House. Dee Anderson facilitated the meeting, and all participants wore masked and socially distanced. Attendees received DPI resource bags that included Alcohol, Prescription Drugs, and Marijuana awareness materials. Also included in each parent bag were fresh fruit, individually wrapped snacks, and cold bottled water donated by Fred Anderson and Abba House Outreach Ministries, Inc. The CMAT Parent Team's next meeting is July 19 and will be virtual/zoom.

Terrie shared her concern for youth mental health issues and the need for more suicide prevention. DPI will help address the suicide issue with the new Rotary Club funding and with YAT input. Three teens in Decatur have died this calendar year by suicide. DPI plans to collaborate with Diane Thompson at Decatur Student Service Center, and her ASSIST training program. Marnie is the chairperson for the DHS 101 for parents occurring on August 7 (virtual). On August 26, DPI and Bulloch ATOD Council will host Speak Sobriety's Stephen Hill and his father, international drug overdose awareness presentation. The webinar will be virtually and in the evening.

#### **SAMHSA Partnership for Success Grant -2024 (14-24yr old/underage drinking, opioids, stimulants, illegal drugs)**

**Terrie Moore** -Terrie shared that Tiffany Cuthbert (DPI) oversaw the DPI media campaign's launching and public PSA for college-age students and young adults. This campaign is entitled "**Just Not Worth It**" and will run for three months in the saturation locations. The ads focus on the impact of drug use on relationships. The program has a website [www.justnotworthit.org](http://www.justnotworthit.org), and the QR Code drives visits to the website. The "Just Not Worth It" campaign saturations are displayed on MARTA train stations, North DeKalb Mall-AMC Movie, The Movie Tavern in Tucker, GA, and streaming services in Decatur. Terrie asked coalition members to take a picture in front of one of the saturation locations and send it to DPI. Terrie said that DPI does not own the campaign produced by Idea Engineering and is a turnkey campaign. However, DPI helped develop the campaign and has lifetime rights. DPI will give multiple sizes of posters to Duane and DHS for student bathrooms, hallways, and cafeteria areas. This Partnership for Success grant runs through 2024. Terrie mentioned that DPI is struggling with getting and engaging college students and Agnes Scott College. We will also look outside the college for young adults and college-age students. During the meeting, Susan followed up with her contact



person at Agnes Scott College, Janelle Piper, and she would also like to work with DPI. Terrie will also follow up with Dr. Kim Jones from DHS and Corey Bivens with DHA for additional young adult referrals.

**Growing Membership-** Terrie shared that the coalition needs to continue to reach out to the Decatur PD and the new School Resource Officer. Duane shared that Officer Robinson will be leaving CSD and going to Dekalb Marshall's office for more time with family and to work on his youth ministry program. A new SRO person is assigned to CSD, and DPI will invite the SRO to the next coalition meeting.

**Youth Update and All Stars-Core-Recruitment/Potential Sites: Marnie Grozin (DPI Youth Coordinator)** Marnie shared that YAT is currently recruiting new members, with nine youth signed up for next year. We continue to make YAT more diverse. Three new youth are attending the CADCA Mid-Year Leadership conference this week with Marnie. DHA is the host site. Two of the new members introduced themselves to the coalition. Munira (10<sup>th</sup> grade) and Gio (8<sup>th</sup> grade) shared why they wanted to be members. **ALL STARS Program** – Marnie just completed a summer camp, All-Stars Program class at DHA with 14 youth, and at the YMCA with eight youth. Terrie shared that the ASAPP Grant will end in September 2021. Marnie is reaching out to RMS to offer All Stars under the ASAPP grant one last time as soon as school resumes. DPI is considering including this program in its continuation proposal for DFC next year.

**CDC DFC Grant-2024 (18 and under/alcohol, nicotine, and marijuana)**, Terrie shared that Marnie is the project coordinator for the DFC grant. A new program will be added this year, Sports: Prevention Plus Wellness. This program will focus on alcohol, marijuana, vaping, and healthy lifestyle goal-setting. During this program, Marnie will screen for the PreVenture program. Terrie, Marnie, Sara Gheesling, and Carol all received training in the Pre-Venture program. Upon assessment, qualifying youth will be placed into groups that include 4-8 teens. This program includes motivational interviewing and impacts substance use and mental health issues. Four different tracks will be available: impulsive thinking, anxious thinking, negative thinking, and sensation thinking. The program duration is four (1hr.) sessions or two (90) minutes sessions. DPI hopes to add the program to the Student Resource Center services. DPI is currently seeking program facilitators to go through a three-day training from 10 am to 2 pm. The PPW program is proposed to begin in August 2021. The program includes a sports element, physical activities, and healthy diets.

**DBHDD – ASAPP-2021 (9-18 Underage Drinking and partial RX use)** – Terrie extended thanks to Corey, Tiffany, Duane, and coalition partners for applying for and receiving the DBHDD ASAPP grant for Rockdale County. DPI will be working on building a new coalition in another county for this grant. Kimberly with GUIDE is also in Rockdale and Newton Counties, and Terrie and Kimberly will be working together in Rockdale.

In closing, Terrie thanked everyone for their support and commitment to the DPI coalition.

Meeting adjourned at 2:22 pm

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