

Be Well Coalition

MEETING NOTES – December 9, 2022

Noon - Sundance - Public Health

Coalition members present: Katie Allen; Kayleigh Gould; Wendy DePina; Patty Cox; Betty Breen; Teresa Tenke; Alex Jessen; Johnnie Ronco. Guest Lisa Ammons.

Guest Presentation

Lisa Ammons, the Unite Us Community Engagement Manager provided a presentation on how Unite Us works and can be of help to our community service organizations. She provided a brief overview and materials which will be available with these minutes.

Capacity Enhancement

The coalition is helping to sponsor the next Northeast WY Prevention Summit, to be held at the CamPlex in Gillette, September 21 & 22, 2023. Thursday will be focused on ATODS (Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs) and Friday will be focused on suicide prevention and mental health. Once the planning committee finalizes the agenda and volunteer needs, Katie will reach out to those interested in volunteering.

Katie is working with WDH on a long range coalition sustainability workbook. Things that are being addressed include looking at structures; strategies; policies & procedures; and resources. For example, if we no longer received funding from WDH, how do we ensure prevention continues in the county?**Suicide Prevention**

We have new 988 magnets and business-sized cards available if anyone would like them to distribute. Please visit the office to pick some up.

Youth

A demonstration of the focus group was held last week with representatives from the coalition and school district. The demonstration was recorded, Katie & Travis are finalizing the video to be posted on our website, an email will go out when it is available. We reviewed some of the materials and for those unable to attend, please feel free to check out some examples at www.crookcountyprevention.com/focus. Katie is working on a grant from WDH to help support the long term development of the youth coalition. In order to purchase the tablets for the kids to use at the first focus group, she is looking into amending our workplan and budget to allow for purchase now, and requesting grant funds to go toward things like fuel for travel to the schools; food for the kids at the focus groups; and, a contract with Sylvestri Media for things such as an in-person event in the summer of 2024 which will be larger scale focus group activities and youth prevention coalition development.

Alcohol, Tobacco, Other Drugs

Parents Who Host, Lose the Most rack cards were shared. This is a strategy in our current work

plan and a discussion was held regarding organizing a table at upcoming sporting events to have information on this and our other prevention strategies available for parents.

Other Items

The 2023 legislative session has items we'll want to keep our eyes on. Coalition members are invited to participate in the upcoming prevention series taking place on Monday, December 19th for a Legislation 101 overview and go through some of the basics and also discuss committees, bills and champions that we have within the legislature.

2023 Legislative Session

Monday, December 19 · 10:00am – 12:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ggw-zfev-mqa>

Or dial: (US) +1 475-558-0195 PIN: 323 205 410#

NEXT MEETING: Scheduled for January 13th 12:00PM, subject to change. Katie will email the coalition the week prior.

Meeting ended at 1:00 pm.