

## Educated Communities and Professionals Task Force

### \*DRAFT \* ACTION MINUTES

August 13, 2008 – 10:00 to 12 noon – Via Phone Conference

#### In Attendance:

Laura Mancuso, Task Force Facilitator  
Lilia Bello, ADP/ADMHS  
Mary Conway, People Helping People & Valley Prevention Coalition  
Asia Eichmiller, ADP/ADMHS  
Sandy Fahey, ADMHS ECMHSN  
Lisa Gilbert, ADP/ADMHS  
Nancy Gottlieb, ADP/ADMHS, MPN Project Director  
Shereen Khatapoush, PhD, Fighting Back Santa Barbara  
Steve Powell, Carpinteria USD & Carpinteria CARES  
Esther Trejo, Probation Department & DEC Coordinator  
Nancy Vasquez, ADP/ADMHS, MPN Project Manager  
Katarina Zamora, ADP/ADMHS

#### NOTES

##### 1. Meth Prevention Media Roadblock Campaign

- a. The target date is the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in January 2009.
- b. The regional community coalitions will be integrally involved in all aspects of the media campaign.
- c. Leads will be identified for each of the following areas:
  - Production of the documentaries (one in English, one in Spanish):  
Drew Sugars
  - Media Outreach (TBD)
  - Town Hall Meetings (TBD)
  - School Liaison (TBD)
  - Materials Production (TBD)We would like to have a representative from each regional community coalition to the Town Hall Meeting committee.
- d. Nancy Vasquez and Pat Saley will oversee the media campaign.
- e. Drew is still seeking names of individuals who might be willing to tell their stories in the documentaries. In particular, we are seeking a youth, a mother with children, and an older person (both English and Spanish speaking).
- f. There might be a copyright problem with using the name, "Meth...Not Even Once!" Nancy V and Pat Saley are looking into this.

Action Item	Description	Completed
#1	<b>Task Force members</b> will identify people in the community who might tell their meth addiction &	

	recovery stories on camera. Drew will interview them and explain what it would entail.	
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## 2. Distribution of Printed Meth Prevention Materials at Key Sites Countywide

- a. ADP purchased 13,000 brochures in total. Data has been entered at the website on the distribution of only 4,700 brochures.

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#2	<p><b>Task Force members</b> need to continue to log into the MPN website (<a href="http://www.stopmethinsbc.org">www.stopmethinsbc.org</a>) and go to the Educated Communities &amp; Professionals Task Force area to take the web survey about where, when, and how many brochures were delivered. The direct link to the survey is:</p> <p><a href="http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB227QHLL6AXH">http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB227QHLL6AXH</a></p>	
#3	<p><b>Katarina</b> will deliver more brochures to Mary Conway (requested 50 of each) and Pat Brady (requested 100 of each).</p>	

## 3. Educating medical professionals

- a. The Task Force reviewed pending requests for training (see attachment).
- b. Esther Trejo is a Probation Officer and the County's DEC Coordinator. She trains people on the DEC protocol. She will be attending a meth training next week for peace officers.
- c. Discussion of Meth 360 and Quantum Units Education CEU training. See "Hot Off the Press – New Things Learned" below.
- d. As requested by the Task Force, Laura arranged for the ADP Resource Directory and ADP Perinatal Resource Directory to be posted on the Meth Prevention Network's website. We also added links to the Journeyworks brochures.
- e. The task force members provided feedback on a draft "postcard" for use as a training handout. Needed quantity for training is estimated at 500. ADP will pay for printing. Schools could also use copies of the postcard.
- f. All training sessions should:
  - Explain the responsibilities of mandatory reporters under the DEC protocol;
  - Describe the effects of meth on the unborn child;
  - Include instruction on how to screen for meth use and give a brief intervention;

- Require training participants to sign-in (not only those receiving CEUs) and complete a written evaluation form.

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#4	<b>Asia</b> will speak with Dr. Elisa Gottheil about doing training for Project Recovery in Santa Barbara.	
#5	<b>Katarina</b> will follow up with Dr. Carrick Adam about getting in touch with Dr. Howard Ginsburg in Lompoc as a potential meth trainer for the medical community.	
#6	<b>Lisa</b> will modify the “postcard” training handout to provide tips on how to screen and interview.	

#### 4. Logistics

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#7	See schedule of our remaining meetings on the next page.  Any Task Force member not able to attend a meeting should notify Alice Patino no later than 48 hours in advance.	

#### 5. Hot Off the Press – New Things Learned!

Two **free** sources for high-quality meth training available online:

Excellent training materials called “Meth360” are available for free online from the Partnership for a Drug-Free America at [www.drugfree.org/Meth360/](http://www.drugfree.org/Meth360/) including sample PowerPoint presentations and contact information for available trainers by zip code. Course outline: 1) Meth Facts; 2) How Meth Affects Users; 3) Impact of Meth on Communities; 4) Families & Prevention; 5) Intervention & Treatment; and 6) Communities & Prevention.

The Santa Barbara County team that attended training in New Mexico made contact with Mike Townsend, Director of the Methamphetamine Demand Reduction Program at Partnership for a Drug-Free America. He can be reached at 212-973-3529 or <mike\_townsend@drugfree.org>.

Methamphetamine Training is offered online by Quantum Units Education There is a \$12 fee for 4.0 CEU credits, and it’s free to people who want to take the course but don’t need CEUs. It’s available for download at:

<http://quantumunitsed.com/ceus23.htm>.

Course Description: "This guide, put out by the Protective Services Training Institute of Texas, presents essential information for professionals who may encounter methamphetamine users, settings where meth is used or manufactured, and children at risk due to caregiver meth use of meth lab dangers. It focuses on risk assessment and worker safety in these situations. The course objectives are: 1) Recognize forms of meth and related paraphernalia; 2) Recognize symptoms of a person high on methamphetamine; 3) Recognize symptoms of a chronic meth user; 4) Recognize signs of a clandestine meth lab; 5) Take safety measures when interacting with a meth user; 6) Identify the risks to a child living in a meth lab or whose caregiver uses meth; and 7) Refer to an approved protocol for responding to children found in a meth lab environment."

## **6. Conclusion**

Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

## SCHEDULE OF TASK FORCE & LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS

	<b>Educated Communities &amp; Professionals Task Force</b>	<b>Leadership Council</b>
<b><i>Sept</i></b>	<p>Wed Sept 3rd 10 to 12:00 noon Via phone conference Dial 681-5400, access code 1903</p>	<p>Wednesday Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 9 am to 12 noon Marriott Buellton</p> <p>* Review draft report</p>
<b><i>October</i></b>	<p>Thursday October 2nd 10 to 12:00 noon Via phone conference Dial 681-5400, access code 201890</p>	<p>Friday October 10th 9 am to 12 noon Marriott Buellton</p> <p>* Finalize report to the Board of Supervisors</p>
<b><i>November</i></b>		<p>Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Target date for presentation to County Board of Supervisors:  (date could change – check for updates!)</p>