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CCSAP's Craven Co Task Force Continues to Complete Another Sticker Shock Campaign in Vanceboro

CCSAP's Craven County task force completed another Sticker Shock campaign in the Vanceboro area at Kites Superstore in early July. The CCSAP volunteer was Debbie Hodges accompanied by two students, Sydney Braxton, and Haley Dail. By continuing to go out into the community and put these sticker shock stickers on alcoholic beverages that may not look like there is alcohol in them and are appealing to teens, we can educate both parents and kids on the dangers of accidentally picking up an alcoholic beverage for your teen or self.

Great job, guys!





CCSAP's Carteret Co Task Force Gains Access to Utilize the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce Resources



Carteret County's CCSAP Task Force is proud to announce that they will be able to utilize the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce resources! At their July Task Force meeting, Cindy Davison from the Chamber of Commerce stated that she sees the CCSAP Task Force as part as the government and since Craven County

government is a member of the Chamber, the Task Force will be able to utilize the services through the Chamber. These services include sharing information on the Chamber's Facebook page; adding any information about the Task Force in the Chamber Notes; and have an article on the back page of the Chamber Newsletter! This will help the Carteret County Task Force promote CCSAP and its mission even more to the Carteret County area!







CCSAP's Onslow Co Task Force Updates

The Onslow County Task Force held the Community Health Assessment Team (CHAT)-Substance Abuse Sub-Committee meeting at its July monthly meeting. They discussed how support families are impacted by substance abuse:

- DSS Case Managers Onslow Memorial Hospital (OMH) makes referrals of fetal babies to them
- 5 or 6 kids per class in Onslow County schools = drug/ fetal alcohol baby. Onslow County gets 250 new students each year. About 40% of other county students that transfer here are drug babies.
- Working with local support groups for families of overdose victims
- AA and NA community is very active in Onslow County. One group meets every day at 7pm. There are 1 or 2 groups that meet on base right now. Every day of the week there is at least 6 groups or more meeting.

Co-Chair Sam Lewis reported July 30th, MCCS will hold (2) 2.5hour sessions on opioid epidemic brief by DEA agents. 2 locations: Marston Pavilion at Camp Lejeune (8:00am – 10:30am) and New River Air Station Theatre (2:15pm- 4:00pm). This is a community event and all public health professionals, 1st responders, Substance Abuse Counselors, etc. are welcome to attend. There will be a lot of active duty and community stakeholders there. *Must have base access.

Community
Event

Several Onslow Co Task Force Members attended the "Communities Responding to the Opioid Crisis Webinar" series, July 18th. This webinar addressed key considerations for community outreach relating to opioids, highlighted media

resources available through the new "More Powerful NC" campaign, and exploration outreach efforts in Mecklenburg County and Onslow County. Dr. Tobi Gilbert, Clinical Neuropsychologist with the Jacksonville Police Department presented. Some key facts they learned about the Jacksonville/ Onslow County Community Opioid Crisis were:

April 2016

- Castlight Health released a report- "The Opioid Crisis in America's Workforce"-ranking **Jacksonville, NC as 12th in the nation for opioid abuse rates**, with 8.2% of the population identified as receiving and abusing a prescription.
- Two 21-year old residents of Onslow County, who had been prominent high school athletes from the same county high school died from opioid overdoses.
- 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment results showed that of those who responded, 23.4% listed drug abuse as an issue that most affects their quality of life.

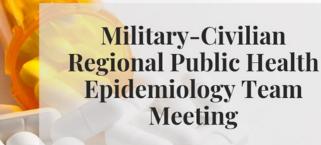
2017-2018

- 2017-County EMS dispensed Narcan 355 times
- 2017-City of Jacksonville Public Safety dispensed Narcan 18 times; Jacksonville Fire Department had dispensed it 11 times and Jacksonville Police Department dispensed it 7 times.

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- EMS responded to 83 overdoses, 41 occurring within the City of Jacksonville; there were 8 total fatalities during these 4 months.
- NC DETECT indicated 21 opioid and 13 heroin overdose patients have checked in to the local emergency room; however, this number is an underestimate.
- According to the Jacksonville Department of Public Safety, since July of 2017, there has been a **136% increase in overdoses**, a **7% increase in drug-related incidents**, a 106% increase in crisis intervention calls, a 26% increase in attempted suicide, a 58% increase in child abuse and neglect with some cases due to opioids, and a 10% increase in reportable crimes, many due to property crimes tied to drug use.

Understanding Long-Term Opiate Use Guest Speaker- August 6th Hosted by Onslow County Health Department



AUGUST 6, 2019 | 1:30 P.M- 3:30 P.M.
ONSLOW COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
612 COLLEGE ST. JACKSONVILLE, NC
1ST FLOOR

Featured Presenter:



Jennifer Attila, MS

Jennifer Attila is a Prevention Specialist for Camp Lejeune's Substance Abuse Program. She works to raise awareness of the long term effects of alcohol and substance use

and believes that education is the key to advocacy and change. She has written for several publications including the American Counseling Association and Camp Lejeune the Globe.



For more information, contact Victoria Reyes at (910)-989-3966 or at Victoria_Reyes@onslowcountyne.gov

Topic Background:

This training is designed to help individuals better understand the long term health complications of opiates both physiologically and epigenetically. Physiological long term damage to the user's body includes scarred and/or collapsed veins, bacterial infections of the blood vessels and heart valves and soft tissue infections. Epigenetic changes are marked by changes in the OPRM1 gene dampening the individual's pain reduction with opiate use and increasing tolerance. This specific change leaves the individual vulnerable to overdose.



The Military-Civilian Regional Public Health Epidemiology Team has quarterly meetings hosted by Onslow County Preparedness and Response team. Their next meeting on August 6th will feature guest speaker Jennifer Attila, Prevention Specialist for the Substance Abuse Program at MCB Camp Lejeune-New River. Ms. Attila will be presenting on the long-term health complications of opiates. This presentation is open to the public and will offer light refreshments.

Got any suggestions, ideas, or information you would like to see and learn more about? We are always looking for information to share in our newsletters and promote all the wonderful work our Task Forces continue to do to support CCSAP's mission. Please email your thoughts, suggestions, content submissions, etc. to media@ccsap.org.

Any Suggestions?









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