

CARROLL COUNTY RESPONDS TO SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

Agenda – June 4, 2024

Prevention – Continuum of Care Workgroup

Meets First Tuesday of Feb, Apr, Jun, Oct, Dec.

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See Minutes and Agendas here:

<http://www.c3ph.org/initiatives/continuum-of-care-for-substance-use-disorders>

See Shared Folder for flyers and announcements here:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BFsX-kCE6IZ2VfKwWa2gB6IJ0vWaV_wr?usp=sharing

8:55 Register for Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtceigqDIuHtRorTn80ou-lizThDOxggR8>

Attendance:

Jen Thomas	Substance Misuse Prevention Coordinator at C3PH
Catalina Kirsch	Continuum of Care Facilitator at C3PH
Emily McArdle	Young Adult Outreach at C3PH

- Strategic Planning for Fiscal Year 2025
 - Group discussion about the upcoming priorities and strategies for Carroll County Responds to Substance Use Disorder
 - Assets and Gaps Analysis – Jen
 - Increasing Awareness of and Access to Services -Jen
 - Communication and Collaboration among providers – Catalina
 - Capacity and Delivery of Services – Catalina
 - Disseminating resource guides and other information - Catalina
 - Stakeholder assistance in information dissemination - Catalina
 - Strategic Prevention Model: assessment, capacity development, planning, implementation, evaluation - Jen
 - Reducing Risk Factors and Strengthening Protective Factors - Jen
 - Community engagement and mobilization – Catalina

- Leadership Team membership and structure
- Updates from the Field.
 - Early Identification/Intervention –
 - Alternative Peer Groups launching, Wolfeboro, Center Conway
 - Treatment/Recovery –
 - Thistle Down Sober Living
 - Other updates:
 - Advocacy
 - Upcoming Advocacy 101 for Adults under ~40 (flyer)

10:25 Other updates? Announcements?

Do you have event flyers to share? Please upload them here: [CC Responds to SUD Flyers to Share](#)

What's posted there now?

Do you have other information you would like to share? Please add it to a shared doc here: [CC Responds to SUD Updates to Share](#)

10:30 Adjourn.

Happy Snowy Spring! Thanks for all you do! If you would like to unsubscribe from this email list, send a message that says "unsubscribe" to continuum@c3ph.org.

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Next meeting:

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Dec 3, 2024 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtceigqDluHtRorTn80ou-lizThDOxqgR8>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Resources on next page(s) (Information Dissemination)

BIDEN RESCHEDULING RECOMMENDATION AFFIRMS MARIJUANA'S ILLEGAL STATUS

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SAM Smart
Approaches to
Marijuana
preventing another big tobacco

(WASHINGTON, DC) – [Smart Approaches to Marijuana \(SAM\)](#) President Dr. Kevin Sabet, a former White House drug policy advisor to Presidents Obama, Bush, and Clinton, issued the following statement today in response to President Biden's video announcement of recommendations aimed at loosening restrictions on marijuana, a psychoactive drug known to come with serious health and mental health consequences.

"As we've maintained throughout this process, it's become undeniable that politics, not science, is driving this decision and has been since the very beginning. This decision won't legalize marijuana, and it won't release anyone from prison or jail. It won't expunge one record. But it will allow the pot industry to take tax deductions on their advertising expenses. This is setting the stage to create the Big Tobacco of our time. It will also surely send the message that marijuana is a safe drug and an approved medicine.

"It should not be lost on anyone that a drug can be removed from Schedule I only if it has accepted medical use—raw, crude marijuana has never passed safety and efficacy protocols. There is no marijuana 'product' that can even be prescribed now because of this—so this move flies in the face of science and medicine. A drug isn't medicine because it's popular.

"Additionally, despite significant concerns being voiced by former U.S. Attorneys, the medical community, and law enforcement, the Administration has unilaterally reversed decades of precedent in the face of volumes of data confirming marijuana's harmfulness.

"The only winners here are the pot investors and companies who could have access to massive tax breaks to push a demonstrably harmful drug. Medical and scientific studies, as well as government data, have conclusively linked THC drugs with addiction, psychosis, schizophrenia, depression, anxiety, suicidality, stroke, and IQ loss, among other impacts. We had hoped the Administration would prioritize expungements and encouraging additional marijuana research, but they've instead chosen to put politics and the addiction industry over people.

"Rescheduling marijuana during an election year makes it clear that the nation's drug policy is being used to reverse bad polling trends with the principal targets of the pot industry, namely young people. Pot-profiteers have lobbied heavily to sell demonstrably harmful products, and now they will use this announcement to drive even more deliberate misinformation about these high-potency drugs to expand use and addiction."

SAM intends to oppose the Biden Administration's rescheduling recommendation throughout the rule making and legal process.

<https://learnaboutsam.org/2024/05/biden-rescheduling-recommendation-affirms-marijuanas-illegal-status/>

