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Topics for the 2018 Call for Presentation Proposals Application

Highlighted Topics:

1. Evidence-based Programs, Strategies, Emerging Practices
2. Prevention Workforce Development
3. Marijuana, Opioids, or Prescription Drug Abuse
4. Substance Abuse Prevention Collaboration with Related Fields
5. Drug Trends and Emerging Issues
6. Alcohol: Underage Drinking, and Young Adults/Collegiate

Note: The descriptors below for each topic are representative of issues, trends and discussion points provided by the committee as examples. Presenters may submit proposals outside of the descriptors listed below; however, they must relate to substance use prevention.

1. Evidence-based Programs, Strategies, Emerging Practices

Topic Categories and Examples:

State and community current prevention strategies; challenges; effectiveness vs. non-evidence practices, programs, and strategies; Mental Emotional Behavioral (MEBs) practices; new outcome research on what is working; environmental strategies and state SPF-SIG and PFS results and state plans; emerging practices and evidence in prevention; public education efforts, including public awareness, social media efforts, technology; population behavioral health.

2. Prevention Workforce Development

Topic Categories and Examples:

Certification; leadership skills; strengthening and diversifying the prevention workforce; rural prevention workforce development; technology; implementation and diffusion of evidence-based practices; youth leadership; multi-generational workplace issues; recruitment, training, and succession planning.

3. Marijuana, Opioids, or Prescription Drug Abuse

Topic Categories and Examples:

Workshops may also include discussions around: regulation, policies, positive social marketing campaigns, and public education.

Marijuana: Retail marijuana legalization/commercialization; medical marijuana legalization; types and methods of use of marijuana (oils, hash, vape, etc.); drugged driving prevention; public education efforts, including public awareness, social media efforts, and technology.

Opioids and Prescription Drugs: State PFS (Partnership for Success) grant; SPF grants; evidence-based primary prevention; enforcement; Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs); working with physicians and pharmacists; Take Back programs; public education efforts, including public awareness, social media efforts, and technology.

4. Substance Abuse Prevention Collaboration with Related Fields

Topic Categories and Examples:

National, State Agency, and local community partnerships; coalitions; Mental Emotional Behavioral (MEBs); law enforcement; military/national guard; youth initiatives - challenges and opportunities; mental health promotion and wellness; suicide prevention; primary healthcare; teen pregnancy prevention; trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs); child welfare; veterans and their families; collective impact; working across the continuum of care; tribal opportunities for SUD prevention.

5. Drug Trends and Emerging Issues

Topic Categories and Examples:

The following populations should be considered: youth, young adult, adult, college population, and aging. Workshops may also include discussions around: regulation, policies, positive social marketing campaigns, and public education. An example of other emerging issues that may be addressed:

Synthetics: Regulation, enforcement issues and testing; monitoring; health care issues and treatment.

Gambling Prevention: Epidemiology; etiology and program/environmental strategy outcome studies for underage youth; strategies to include policy improvement, enforcement, social marketing, and educational program outcome studies; new prevention and community-based education models developed for problem gambling prevention.

Tobacco: Vaping; e-cigarettes; raising the legal sale age; compliance checks; hookah shops/bars.

6. Alcohol: Underage Drinking, and Young Adults/Collegiate

Topic Categories and Examples:

Underage drinking; binge drinking; young adults: collegiate and non-collegiate populations; FASD; state SPF-SIG results; enforcement; driving under the influence prevention; public education efforts, including public awareness, social media efforts, technology.