

# **Solano County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB)**

## **2019-2020 Work Plan**

### **Mission**

The Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board (ADAB) is composed of individuals from diverse disciplines and backgrounds, representing a cross section of Solano County. The ADAB ensures that community needs are met regarding substance use disorder (SUD) related issues through prevention, early intervention, treatment and ongoing recovery. The ADAB reviews, evaluates and participates in the planning process, advises the SUD Administrator and Board of Supervisors (BOS) and encourages public understanding of SUD, thereby ensuring the most effective use of public funds and services.

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To further the Mission of the Solano County Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board it is vital to formulate and implement a focused work plan. The Board adopted its previous plan in March 2013. This revised and updated plan will be implemented over the next year. The Board will review this plan at each regular Board meeting to determine if the Board is on track with meeting the goals and objectives.

### **STRATEGY 1 – POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION**

*Goal: Provide ongoing subject matter expertise to the Behavioral Health Leadership and Board of Supervisors concerning legislation and policies affecting substance use issues and treatment in Solano County. The ADAB will regularly report to the BOS on the effectiveness of substance use disorder treatment programs and policies within the County.*

- Review and advise Behavioral Health Leadership and the BOS on local, State and federal legislation that affects Solano County treatment and SUD prevention programs.
- Collaborate with other County Advisory Boards and Solano County agencies for mutual support and to share information to better define and address the problems within Solano County. Potential partners include:
  - Solano County Superior Court
  - Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council
  - Partnership Health Plan
  - Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board
  - Solano County Board of Education
  - Solano County Sheriff-Coroner's Office
  - Solano County District Attorney's Office
  - Solano County Probation Department

### **STRATEGY 2 – FACILITATION OF TREATMENT RESOURCE EXPANSION**

*Goal: Increase the public and BOS' knowledge of the availability and effectiveness of treatment services available within Solano County. Propose measures to address new SUD risks and areas of*

*inadequate treatment resources.*

- Solano County SUD treatment program representatives will be invited to do a presentation of their facilities and services to the ADAB at least annually.
- Individual Board members will regularly correspond with their District Supervisors in order to anticipate the needs of the BOS regarding SUD policy development.
- The ADAB will regularly coordinate with County law enforcement, Superior Court and Probation Department to understand the current risks, unmet needs and the availability of emergent treatment resources for the management of acute SUD.
- The ADAB will work with all stakeholders to increase public support for Solano County harm reduction efforts through prevention-oriented activities such as facilitation of drug take-back programs, public education and web site development.

### STRATEGY 3 – PUBLIC AWARENESS AND ADAB VISIBILITY

*Goal: Educate the citizens of Solano County on the nature and extent of substance problems within our communities. Provide a public resource for understanding available options for referral to SUD treatment programs. Continue to develop the ADAB website. Make an ADAB speaker's bureau available to local civic organizations.*

- The expertise of the ADAB members is a significant County resource. Board members should take every opportunity to reach out and speak to community groups with an interest in substance use disorder prevention, treatment and recovery.
- Update the Solano County ADAB web page to include links to the Network of Care (NOC) website and work with County staff to ensure SUD resources and information are current on the NOC website.
- Actively recruit additional ADAB members through the press, Supervisors, the Napa-Solano County Medical Society, and health care facilities.

The Solano County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board believes this work plan will enhance the effectiveness of Solano County harm reduction and treatment programs by increasing County leaderships' understanding and community awareness of the issues and challenges facing Solano County as it relates to substance use disorders.

- Provide a regular report to the Board of Supervisors concerning the ADAB's findings and recommendations concerning substance abuse risks within Solano County with recommendations to facilitate BOS policy development.
- Provide regular reports to the BOS of the ADAB's findings regarding the function, effectiveness and treatment availability of County SUD programs.
- The ADAB will present regular reports to the BOS concerning the findings of these activities.

The ADAB will present an annual report the Board of Supervisors that includes findings and recommendations concerning SUD risks and findings regarding the function, effectiveness and treatment availability issues of County substance abuse programs.