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PREVENTION WORKS IN CLARK COUNTY

Jeffersonville — April 20th’s “Legal Yet Lethal” conference sponsored by the Grassroots Prevention Coalition of Clark County, a project of Community Action of Southern Indiana, Inc., the Clark County Youth Coalition (the Governor’s Commission for a Drug Free Indiana), Metro United Way of Clark County, FSSA/DMHA, and OJP/OJJDP was a success!

Isabel Burk, Director of The Health Network and a nationally recognized expert on drug abuse and prevention and Dr. Burns Brady, Medical Director of the Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation, along with law enforcement officers, educators, community leaders, teachers, prevention practitioners, and social service units came together for a one day conference to share information on the latest drug use trends and issues related to addiction, prevention and treatment.

Prevention and treatment practitioners drove from as far away as Evansville and Indianapolis to attend sessions on inhalants, Oxycontin®, and other common over the counter drugs such as Dextromethorphan (aka, DXM), a nonprescription cough syrup generally used to accelerate the affects of other illicit drugs.

Rebecca Smith, Program Director of the Grassroots Prevention Coalition of Clark County and organizer of the third regional prevention conference commented that she was “pleased with the turnout and that each conference grows with more participants and sessions to offer.” During the opening session, Rebecca thanked the parents, volunteers, law enforcement agents, counselors, teachers, administrators and other prevention and treatment practitioners for their dedication to improving the quality of life for all of Indiana, especially our young people.

The Grassroots Prevention Coalition of Clark County is already gearing up for a conference in September on Marijuana and Alcohol Prevention.

The Grassroots Prevention Coalition of Clark County & call Community Action of Southern Indiana at 812-288-6451, ext. 129.

INDIANA EVENTS & FUNDING

EVENTS

May 18  Out of Control: The Link Between Alcohol and Riots. Visit the IPRC calendar.

May 19  Science-Based Prevention Workshop. Vincennes University-Beckes Student Union. Contact Steven King at steven@stevenking.com.

May 24 & 28  Annual Institute for Alcohol and Drug Studies conference at University of Evansville. See http://cce.evansville.edu/IADS.html

June 2 & 3  Funding & Sustainability in Ft. Wayne Visit www.drugs.indiana.edu for registration materials.

June 9 & 11  Indiana Rural Health Association’s Annual Conference at French Lick. See www.ruralhealth.org.


Month of June  IYI announced 6 grant writing workshops, see www.iyi.org.

For a complete list of national and local events, visit: www.drugs.indiana.edu