

SPF SIG Monthly Summary August 2007

Workgroups:

- The *Executive Management Team*: Did not meet this month
- The *Strategies for Healthy Youth Workgroup*: Did not meet this month
- The *State Epidemiology Workgroup*:
 - Six members presented the white paper reports each was tasked with doing on consequences of substance abuse in relation to the following with recommendations about the need for future effort. The subjects presented upon were: Mental health, major crime, child abuse, neglect and maltreatment, drug induced deaths, dependence and sexual/intimate partner violence. The final reports will be posted on the OSA SPF SIG website.

Other Items:

- HMP/OSA Coordinating Committee and Adhoc Groups
 - Project Officers have been assigned public health districts.
- Drug Free Technical Assistance Cluster
 - SPF SIG coordinator, specialist, and acting prevention team manager attended TA cluster in Orono with 3rd year grantees and CAPT project officer.
- KIT PCW
 - Representation from Maine CDC, OSA, & MCPH worked on customization of KIT prevention system to meet the needs of the new grants.
- Cross-Site Evaluation

CSAP's National Cross-Site on-line evaluation system has had several problems. They have decided to take the system down to try to fix it. They project to have it back up by January 2008. In the mean time, HZA has sent hard copies of the evaluation to the SPEP grantees to fill out and return to them in September.
- HMP RFP Process
 - Contract negotiations continued throughout the month
 - Field teams comprised of CDC, OSA, DOE, and other contributing programs have been developed and regular meetings scheduled
 - Grantee Orientations have been scheduled
 - Panel of experts have been convened for those grantees submitting non-evidenced based strategies.