

SPF SIG Monthly Summary December 2008

Workgroups:

- **The Executive Management Team:** Did not meet this month. Next Meeting: January 7, 2009.
- **SPF Advisory Board:** Meeting was held on December 19, 2009.
 - Coordinating GTO/RAND project with SPF was discussed. Five year grant from NIAAA, with the RAND corp. The project will combine the GTO with the Developmental Asset approach. Twelve community coalitions will be participating.
 - MIYHS update: There are four levels of the survey. This does not include private or home schools. Numbers signed on so far: K-3: 33 schools (67%); 5-6: 128 schools (81%); 7-8: 80% of the schools and high schools are at 82% overall. February may be the deadline for people to sign on. Reorganization of schools is affecting sign up.
 - HMP applications: Handouts were given to the group regarding the number of RBS trainings that grantees are choosing in the grant application and the strategies that grantees chose to work on. The strategies that were chosen the most by grantees focused on party patrols, RBS trainings and Parental Monitoring.
 - 18-25 year old Survey Update: Based upon the sample sizes will be able to provide county estimates for a couple the rest will need to be by district.
 - Preliminary Results of HEAPP survey: 14 schools participated in November. Other schools will participate in mid to late February. Good distribution of public versus private.
 - New co-chairs: Sarah Goan and Geoffrey Miller.
- **Community Epidemiology Surveillance Network:** Did not meet this month. Next meeting: March 2009.

Other Items:

- Twenty-eight applications from the local Healthy Maine Partnerships were processed. Funding for this work comes from SAMHSA's Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant and the SPF SIG. Areas of focus include local coalitions working with police departments to strengthen enforcement efforts; conducting retail beverage service trainings; educating parents on monitoring for alcohol use; and working with worksites on utilizing the worksite framework initiative.
- A free web/conference call (*Go-To Meeting*) on Cultural Competency was held for grantees. The call was coordinated by the SPF SIG Coordinator and facilitated by the North East Center for Applied Technology.
- Materials from the Cultural Competency web meeting and the November 13 conference were posted to the workforce development (prevention) section of the OSA website.