



“Working together to eliminate substance misuse through community awareness, prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery”

Our Coalition has two goals

Our **first goal** is to steadily increase the capacity of our coalition by creating relationships with others in our community that have a stake in reducing substance abuse.

Our **second goal** is to use volunteers and resources we have secured through our partnerships in the community in order to promote awareness and prevention, and provide information and resources for intervention, treatment and recovery.

We recognize that while some communities choose to focus on only the problems when they do this work, we realize that there are also positive attributes always contributing to non use that we must ensure remain, and grow, or we risk those assets going away.

We are working together to address four(4) realms of substance abuse.

*The first realm is **health promotion and drug prevention.*** We are asking you to help us compile a list of our community assets that contribute to healthy behaviors. We intend to support messaging of public service announcements and editorials, and provide assistance for direct educational opportunities to our community, such as the DARE program offered in our elementary schools.

*The second realm is **early intervention.*** This is where we look to identify specific problems that exist in our community and use our resources, coupled with known strategies to reduce the impact of those problems. We will look for opportunities to support those that strive to step in when a problem behavior is first recognized in our schools, businesses or anywhere in our community. Early intervention may include providing education materials, training opportunities or connections to other community members who can support their efforts.

*The third realm includes **supporting the treatment community*** by helping increase awareness of our resources. Many obstacles exist that degrade the impact of treatment and we look to explore some of the assets we have to address those obstacles.

*The fourth realm is in **recovery support.*** We hope to continue to use our community assets to assist recovery and reduce recidivism.

We are now in the process of identifying resources in our community. We will be conducting a community workshop in the Fall and are asking residents to identify individuals or organizations that are contributing to our goals already.

We would like for anyone who wishes to be part of the coalition to join us. We need your ideas, your resources, your hopes and your dreams for this community. **WE NEED YOU to be a part of this!** Join our vision of working together to eliminate substance misuse for a healthy, prosperous, and connected community.

STAND UP NEWFOUND invites you to be a part! Please Join us!

Community Meetings held the 4th Thursday of each month, at 6:30 pm

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