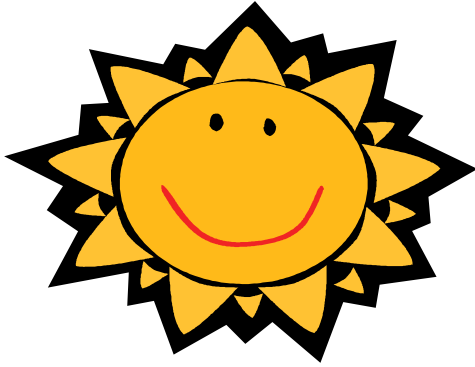


Ionia County Substance Abuse Initiative

Coordinator's Update JUNE



Events and News:

The Ionia County Health Department program proposal was selected to provide the Minor In Possession (MIP) Program to Ionia County.

The Family Anonymous Support Group is aimed to help program participants cope with a loved one's addiction to alcohol or drugs. The group takes place on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at the Ionia County Health Department. Attendance numbers are slowly growing week to week.

The ICSAI Advisory Board approved the FY 2009/2010 Implementation Plan drafted by the workgroup and will now be taking to the Board of Commissioners for approval on June 23rd. Please join us and show your support!

Meetings and Such:

- Town Hall meeting event took place on "How to talk to your kids about Drugs and Alcohol?"
- Smoking cessation classes are now taking place.
- Attended the Parent Awareness Month (PAM) group and provided education on how to talk to your kids about alcohol, tobacco and drugs for parenting resource CD being developed by the group.
- Over 75% of the tobacco and alcohol vendors have had face to face vendor education. Almost there!
- Attended the Juvenile Justice meeting and discussed Safe Touch program and truancy issues and solutions in Ionia County schools.
- Attend the Older Adult workgroup meeting and discussed substance abuse evidenced-based curriculum for older adults and caregivers.
- The data committee met and analyzed the 2008 PNA data and prioritized the top 3 data indicators.