

**Medina County Opiate Task Force**

**Prevention, Education, Advocacy and Family Support**

**December 8, 2017**

**9:30-11:30am**

**Medina Library**

(1) Cindy and Christy will co-facilitate this group

(2) Presentation

**Darryl Brake (Deterra Program in Akron) Presentation (Summit County Opiate Task Force/Summit County Community Task Force)**

Communities that have coalitions do better in fighting the "war on drugs"

-look nationally on what is happening with drugs

-strategic prevention plan (3 Threats to Your Community)

3 Threats to Summit County

1. Marijuana
2. Opiates/Heroin
3. Powdered Alcohol

[Deterra](#) - pouches that can dispose of medication for seniors if they are unable to go to medication drop off centers

Summit County will be doing it for 5 years and will help any other county that is interested

They correlate use of pouches by zip code and overdoses

(Approximates)

Large Pouch is \$4.07

Medium Pouch is \$3.97

Small Pouch is \$2.87

## **Resources from Darryl Brake**

[cpsummit.org](http://cpsummit.org)

[Prevention First Website](#)

[Dr. Karen Randall letter](#)

## **Programs for Us to Consider**

1. Suggestion to start a resource like Addiction Resource Guide (copies provided to us)
2. 5 Counties Collaborative - Cuyahoga, Summit, Medina, Portage, Stark
  - emphasis on drug deactivation pouch project in each community
  - emphasis to set up program in each county
  - each group will receive an estimated about 200 free pouches to get started
  - this is a prevention and harm reduction technique
  - some funding sources to get more money to go beyond 200 pouches
  - long term goal to work together to discuss goals and overall reduce outdated, unused medications in NorthEast Ohio

We need to follow up with a call or email to set this up

-have emergency services carry and pass out when administering Narcan

(3) Task Groups

### **Topic/Task Groups**

1. **Social Media/Campaigns - Tiffany Shelton CHAIR**
2. **Speakers Bureau/Education/Resource book/materials - On Hold until we develop campaign Kris CHAIR**
3. **Grief Support Group - Michelle Kipfstuhl and Cindy CHAIR**

**4. Grandfamilies and Support - Melissa Pierce CHAIR**

**5. Training for Family Matter or other Community Event (Operation Street Smarts) - Brandts and Christy CHAIR**

**6. Outreach/training to other adults - Cindy CHAIR**

We discussed work happening in subcommittees and these larger meetings being the chairs who can summarize.

We discussed 211 and its usefulness.

We will send out lists of groups as well.

Pat, who used to be on our committee asked that I send this resource out with our next minutes.

Thanks:

The website is [www.emeraldjennyfoundation.org](http://www.emeraldjennyfoundation.org). It has a facility search tab, which is for people to search for treatment options. There is also a "More Help" tab, which lists other types of resources, such as the Start Talking website. Robby's Voice is listed there.

**Next Meeting January 12th 9:30-11:30 Medina Library Room A**

**Kristine Quallich, Ph.D.**

**Assistant Superintendent**

**Medina City School District**

**"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education." Martin Luther King, Jr.**