



**Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition (RCADC)
March 6, 2019**

Members/Guests Present: Jeanna Steele-Mack, Ashley Freeberg, Sarah Harrison, Nathan Wray, Suzanne Horsfall, Justin Casevechia, Ben Young, Stacie Plazek, Dr. Terry Stevens, Beth Sams, Cathy Day, Gary Cosby, Shawna Adkins, Donna Forstrom, Chanel Finnell, Patti Luttrell, Jill Murphy, Demerius Bunch, Kent Stephens, Tim Phillips, Ben Briley, Sherry Samples

Nathan Wray stated that he and Ashley Freeberg had just left the Midtown Educational Center (MEC) where there was a guest speaker who told her personal testimony of addiction and recovery. Nathan said that the students were able to connect to RCADC staff as well as the guest speaker following the presentation.

Nathan hosted the game, "My Generation RX, Champions of RX." Generation RX, safe medication practices for life is provided by the Cardinal Health Foundation and the Ohio State University College of Pharmacy. RCADC was one of 62 programs to be awarded the Generation Rx grant by Cardinal Health. Nathan and Ashley have used the Generation RX curriculum within the elementary schools, middle schools and high schools in the county. The purpose of today's meeting was to have coalition members experience what students in the county have been learning. RCADC has presented the Generation Rx curriculum to over 2,000 individuals. The room was split into 4 teams who answered questions related to medication safety. The PowerPoint presentation is below these minutes.

Sarah Harrison mentioned the emergence of ketamine clinics in Knoxville and that they are unregulated. The clinics are supposedly being used to treat depression. Tim Phillips with the Roane County Sheriff's Office stated that he has seen thieves burgling veterinary offices to steal ketamine. Ketamine is one of several club drugs common at rave parties and produces hallucinations. Sarah also informed coalition members that Tennessee House Bill 1168 would allow prosecutors to charge pregnant women with assault if their baby is harmed because of drug use. We are concerned that this bill will keep women from receiving prenatal care as they will fear being prosecuted.

Suzanne Horsfall reminded everyone that Friday, April 1st will be the Roane County Special Olympics at Southwest Point in Kingston. The community is encouraged to line Kentucky Street to cheer on the athletes at 9:00 a.m. On Thursday, March 28th there will be a fundraiser from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Zaxby's to support the Special Olympics.

Ben Young with Bradford Health Services provided flyers for, "The Addicted Brain." Tim Hilton will provide an understandable look at the dilemma of addiction. The presentation will be held on March 28th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at The Church of God at Keith Avenue in Knoxville. This is a free workshop and coffee and bottled water will be provided. For questions contact Ben Young at 865-256-8573 or beny@bradfordhealth.net.

Jeanna Steele-Mack reminded everyone that it is time to complete the Tennessee Young Adult Survey. The survey is for young adults ages 18-25. Visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/SPFRx_YoungAdult to complete the survey.

The next coalition meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at the RCADC office.