



TxIDTF Prevention Subcommittee Meeting Notes | April 11, 2023 @ 1:00pm

Purpose of the meeting: To re-establish a new working group, vision, and goals for this subcommittee within the new structure of the Task Force.

1. **Introductions:** Lisa opened the meeting. She explained that the subcommittee will reconvene with a new focus. The members all introduced themselves and shared the items below about themselves.
 - a. Share which organization you're with
 - b. Briefly highlight of your work in this area
 - c. One non-work related fact about yourself

2. **Background:**
 1. Connection to the task force.
 2. History of subcommittee:
 - a. Emmy shared background on the K-12 book. Christine and Dr. Mathias shared that this committee is an opportunity for the prevention stakeholders to benefit the mission of the Texas Impaired Driving Task Force (TxIDTF) and contribute to the TxIDTF meetings.
 3. Expectations:
 - a. Set new goals and attend regular meetings of the committee.

3. **Rebranding of Subcommittee:**
 1. New name:
 - a. The group was in favor of renaming the subcommittee "Prevention," as education is the activity to facilitate prevention work.
 2. Goals (identify 2 goals): Ideas from committee members include -
 - a. Sarah – goals of the task force can be implemented through the committee work. Past example was the K-12 Education Book.
 - b. April – Safety culture promotion. Is there an opportunity to evaluate some of the TxDOT programs referenced in the K-12 book to create a more comprehensive collection of evidence-based programs? Who is available to evaluate these programs?
 - I. Sarah mentioned Nicole Holt as a member. Christine noted that Nicole does intend to serve on this committee but had a prior commitment for today. Sarah also suggested Dr. Jessica Cance from RTI to provide a short presentation as an epidemiologist. She may be able to shed light on evaluation of programs.

- c. Emma – The K-12 Reference Book may not be clear on what it is, or how to use it. Could we develop a one-sheet to help promote the resource?
 - d. Nina – Texas Education Agency (TEA) is not represented on the TxIDTF. Inviting a representative may help with getting into the school districts.
 - I. Charles mentioned TEA is working closely with the Texas Workforce Commission. Consider Workforce Commission as another option.
 - e. Dannell – Find your region service center and ask for the “Mental Health Outreach Specialist.” That person, in each region, is responsible for disseminating information and education about alcohol and drugs. (Dannell’s representative has a list of all Mental Health Outreach Specialists across the state. The list will be forwarded to Emmy and Christine for distribution to the committee.)
 - I. Establish a best practice repository for implementing prevention programs.
3. Establish meeting frequency:
 - a. The committee decided to meet in May before the Impaired Driving Plan is due to TxDOT.

4. Next steps:

1. Christine discussed the 2023 Impaired Driving Plan revisions and the letter to NHTSA to request inclusion in the Drug-Impaired Driving Criminal Justice Evaluation Tool. The committee can work together as a group to complete this year’s revisions.
2. Emmy and Christine will distribute a Doodle Poll to determine availability for the next meeting in May. The prevention section of the Impaired Driving Plan will need to be completed before June.

Subcommittee Members:

- Lisa Minjares, Texas A&M Transportation Institute (Chair)
- Dannell Thomas, Education Service Center Region 6
- Amy Moser, Education Service Center Region 6
- Nina Saint, SafeWay Driving Systems
- Sarah Martinez, Travis County Underage Drinking Prevention Program
- Kara Thorp, AAA
- Katie Mueller, National Safety Council
- April Ramos, National Safety Council
- Debra Marable, MADD
- Emma Dugas, MADD
- Dr. Charles Mathias, UT Health San Antonio

Not Present:

- Nicole Holt, Texans for Safe and Drug-Free Youth
- Ben Smith, AgriLife Extension Service