UConn AOD Call to Action Coalition

Expanding & Enhancing Early Intervention Services
Committee Meeting
June 19, 2018

Creating a Shared Vision & Mission
Outline of AOD Coalition Summer Meetings

Meeting 1: May 2018
• Create Common Language and Shared Understanding
• Review of Prevention Framework

Meeting 2: June 2018
• Create a Shared Vision, Mission & Values for the Overarching AOD Call to Action Initiative

Meeting 3: July 2018
• Review of the Worksheet from the Breakout Session
• Create Specific Objectives and Goals for this Committee

Meeting 4: August 2018
• Best Practices and Examples Specific to the Goals of this Committee
Agenda:

1. Vision Statement
2. Mission Statement
3. Developing Core Values (Small Groups)
4. Review of Core Values Statements (Full Group)
Vision Statement
(What the world will be like when we have achieved our goals.)

UConn is a thriving, connected campus community that supports the full potential of our students.
Mission Statement
(Defines the present state or purpose of the group)

By partnering across the UConn community, the AOD Call to Action Coalition implements interconnected campus-wide strategies, creating a culture of care and responsibility around alcohol and other drugs to support life-long learning and the well-being of all UConn students.
Vision: UConn is a thriving, connected campus community that supports the full potential of our students.

**AOD Strategies**

- Expanding the Continuum of AOD Education
- Expanding and Enhancing Early Intervention Services
- AOD Multi-Media Communications
- Engaging Stakeholders & Enhancing Capacity

**AOD Objectives (Examples)**

- Implement a comprehensive AOD education strategy
- Establish AOD services that address gaps and redundancies
- Use a full spectrum of media tools to reinforce AOD messaging
- Create campus buy-in and build support for delivery of AOD work

**AOD Outcomes**
Developing Core Values Exercise

We are going to be working on Core Values for the overall UConn AOD Call to Action Coalition.

• An organization’s core values guide all members of the team as they work to bring the best possible results for the communities they serve.
• Adhering to the core values is important in accomplishing the mission and fulfilling the vision.
In support of UConn’s academic mission, the AOD Call to Action Coalition is dedicated to:

- Sharing a university-wide collective responsibility to prevent and reduce harm related to alcohol and other drug use.
- Mobilizing undergraduate and graduate students on all UConn campuses to make informed decisions about alcohol and other drugs in order to support their academic and personal goals.
- Recognizing the differential impact across identities that alcohol and other drugs have on the UConn community and integrating social justice principles into our work.
- Empowering students to value and cherish themselves in a healthy and sustainable way.
- Working toward transformative change that supports an overall culture of wellness on the UConn campus.
Words and Phrases from AOD Breakout Session Worksheets:

• Collective responsibility; interconnected campus-wide approaches
• Interwoven support and preparing students for life
• Integration and collaboration across the UConn campus community
• Collective impact
• Culture of wellness
• Preventing and reducing harm related to AOD use
• Empowering students to make informed decisions about AOD use
• Recognizing differential impact on the community across identities
• Transformative – helping students to reach their full potential
• Mobilize students to improve their own health
• Diversity and social justice
• Recovery as part of the continuum (all students on the continuum from abstinence to recovery)
• Provide interwoven support and skills to those navigating alcohol and other drugs, including people who choose not to use substances and those in recovery, to achieve personal goals and be their best self.
Phrases from AOD Engaging Stakeholders & Building Capacity Committee:

- Reduce the secondary negative effects of substance abuse
- Members of the UConn community will have freedom from dependency on AOD
- A lifetime strategy for optimal health
- A culture that promotes safety, health, and wellness
- Student-led programs/education – cultural change to include education led by students
- Core idea – we have a community of students who value and cherish themselves in a healthy and sustainable way
  - Re-center the culture into a place where students feel that being open (open conversation; vulnerabilities) is prioritized over consequences
- Being accountable for yourself and your fellow students
- Create a culture in which students have each other’s best interests in mind when it comes to health and wellness
- Harnessing campus resources/cultivate relationships knowing that this is good for the entire community – unified approach
- Environment – students have to feel that there is a supportive environment that promotes their own self-awareness
- Campus value – a culture of caring – students are looking out for each other, faculty & staff are looking out for students
Core Values Worksheet

GROUP 1:
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GROUP 2:
In support of UConn’s academic mission, the AOD Call to Action Coalition is dedicated to:

• Recognizing the differential impact across identities that alcohol and other drugs have on the UConn community and integrating social justice principles into our work.

• Empowering students to value and cherish themselves in a healthy and sustainable way.
GROUP 3:

In support of UConn’s academic mission, the AOD Call to Action Coalition is dedicated to:

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• Are any CORE VALUES missing?
Core Values

Group Discussion on the Small Group Results