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Dear Coalition Members,

Thank you for reading the February issue of the Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition (RCYSUC) Prevention Newsletter! In this newsletter you'll find the latest news, resources, webinars and more. Suggestions on articles, trainings, or webinars are always welcome. As a reminder, the next RCYSUC meeting will be held **February 22nd**, **2021** via Zoom. The next Committee meetings will be on Zoom as well:

<u>Data & Evaluation</u> - Feb. 8th @12pm <u>Prescription Drugs</u> - Feb. 8th @2:30pm <u>Alcohol</u> - Feb. 10th @12pm Thanks for your dedication + support!

POTENTIAL TREATMENT FOR METH ADDICTION



Meth addiction may finally have a safe and effective treatment. A new study showed that the combination of Naltrexone and Wellbutrin is more effective when compared to a placebo and resulted in fewer cravings and improvements to their lives. While this combination can already be prescribed, the hope is it will be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) so insurances can cover it. Read more HERE.

NEWS + RESOURCES

Marijuana Use By Youth With Mood Disorders Linked To Increased Risks

A new <u>study</u> in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) Pediatrics showed that cannabis use disorder is significantly associated with an increased risk of self-harm and mortality among youth with mood disorders.

Vaping And Juuling - What's The Big Deal?

Click HERE to see a vaping fact card from the American Academy of Pediatrics. The card includes helpful facts as well as tools you can use to help quit. Some popular and effective resources include "This Is Quitting" (a free mobile program) and "My Life, My Quit", another free and confidential resource.

UPCOMING TRAININGS AND WEBINARS

The Impact Of The Opioid Epidemic On Families - Feb. 4th, 2021 from 10-11AM Register Now

Helping Families Navigate The System Of Addiction & Understand Treatment Options - Feb. 23rd, 2021 from 2-3:30PM

Register Now

Reducing Stigma, Gaining Faith In Prevention - Feb. 24th, 2021 from 1-3PM Register Now

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

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NORTH CENTRAL OHIO HARM REDUCTION GROUP



Check out the <u>Facebook</u> page of the new North Central Ohio Harm Reduction group. This is a community organization of people with lived experience, family members, and advocates aiming to promote the health of people with addiction. Reach out to Paul or Anne Joudrey at <u>paul.joudrey@yale.edu</u> or <u>annejoudrey1@gmail.com</u> for more information or if you'd like to get involved.

RCYSUC Mission: To empower Richland County youth, families, and the community to reduce youth substance use through education, intervention, and participation.

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