DRUG INFORMATION NETWORKS
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Drug Information Networks

• Data Driven Community Prevention Planning

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The Drug Information Network (DIN)
Data Driven Decisions

Raw Data in

Information for Action out
The Drug Information Network Meeting

Raw Data IN:
• Public Health
• Criminal Justice
• Ethnographic

Information for Action Out
The DIN Process: Interpret the Data

Classify the Data
- Consequences
- Consumption
- Contributing Factors

Conclusions
The DIN Process: Interpret the Data

Consequences
- Deaths
- Injuries
- Accidents
- Drownings
- Violence
- Crimes

Consumption
- Use Across Lifespan
- Amount
- Frequency
- Dependence
- Concurrent Use

Contributing Factors
- Availability: Retail & Social
- Attitudes & Norms
- Laws & Policies
- Age of Initiation

Conclusions
Information for Action Out
Age of Alcohol Onset and Any Lifetime Alcohol Dependency Aged 18 and Older

Source: National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions  Sample = 43,093
Percent of Past Year Alcohol Dependence or Abuse Among Adults Aged 18 or Older

By Age of First Alcohol Use: 2008

Source: SAMHSA-National Survey on Drug Use and Health 2008
The DIN Process: Conclusion

Delay Initiation or Onset of Alcohol First Use

Keep Children Alcohol Free

Strategy: Educate Adults and Parents
The DIN Process: Information for Action

1. Strategic Planning

2. Tools for Measuring and Monitoring Progress of Implemented Plans

Information for Action
The Community Prevention Logic Model

- Problems
- Consequences
- Patterns of Use
- Consumption
- Contributing Factors Classified by Intervening Variables
- Strategies to Change Contributing Factors
Task Forces
1. Underage Drinking
2. Rx Drug Abuse
3. Methamphetamine & Ecstasy

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