



Parents Matter CSD Pierre/ Fort Pierre working/Christmas gathering was held on December 15, 2010, at Noon in the St. Mary's 5th Floor Conference Room. Those in attendance of the luncheon meeting: Roland Loudenburg, Elton Blemaster, Larry Weiss, Dawn Tassler, Gayle Stover, Dennie Pfrimmer and Ruby L. Douglas.

Welcoming and introductions were made. The FACE Posters and brochures were presented to the coalition and they were invited to take as many of the items to share with others. Coalition Involvement and Role of Coalition Members sheets were handed out and requested that each member fill one out and bring it to the next regular meeting scheduled for January 12, 2011.

Due to travel scheduling conflicts; Tasha Almond, Evaluator from Mt. Plains Evaluation was not able to attend. Roland Loudenburg, also from Mt. Plains Evaluation, gave an overview of the Evaluation process for the SPF-SIG project. Roland spoke about the Public Health Model and how that same process applies to the SPF-SIG. (Strategic Prevention Framework-State Incentive Grant). He stated that tracking information and collecting information will assist in planning and measuring effective projects to help bring about the desired changes.

Ruby presented a Power point on the SPF-SIG in relation to the Health Model approach. A "contributing factor data" information worksheet with a listing of all the sources of data collected and the individuals or groups who provided (i.e. Law Enforcement, Coalition members) the data for the worksheet. The Coalition members were asked to review the information for a drafting of the progress report that will be submitted after January 12, 2011. Members were also requested to think about a Vision Statement for the Coalition.

Discussion centered on the evidence/research based programs that will be selected once the all the assessments and paperwork have been completed. Roland informed the group that an Evidence Based Program Workgroup has convened and will be selecting programs from a list provided by the SAMSHA (federal agency) NREPP. There is also a possibility of using other programs. However, Ruby stated that she was of the understanding that other programs would have to meet certain requirements and be approved by the workgroup.

The next Parents Matter regularly scheduled meeting is on January 12, 2011 in the 5th Floor Conference Room of St. Mary's Health Care Center.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

"To educate, empower and engage parents and the community in educating their children in making responsible choices regarding alcohol, drugs, underage drinking, and healthy living."

Happy Holidays and Safe Travels!!