

The Norwalk Partnership

PREVENTING SUBSTANCE MISUSE
AMONG YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Vision: Norwalk is a community that fosters mental wellbeing and supports safe and healthy behaviors across the lifespan.

Mission: The Norwalk Partnership brings our community together to prevent substance misuse and promote mental wellness among youth and young adults.

TNP MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2023-24

The **COALITION MEETING** is on the *last* Wednesdays (not 4th Wednesdays!) of each month. This year we will have 4 **in-person** meetings for 1.5 hours (**3pm-4:30pm**), to allow for networking & resource sharing. The other meetings will be virtual from **3pm-4pm**. To be added to the invites, please email mwatt@positivedirections.org. For minutes, visit thenorwalkpartnership.org/meetings.

- September 27th, 2023 (In Person, 3-4:30 at City Hall, Room 231)
- October 25th, 2023 (Virtual 3-4)
- November 29th, 2023 (Virtual 3-4)
- January 31st, 2024 (In Person 3-4:30 – location will be announced)
- February 28th, 2024 (Virtual 3-4)
- March 27th, 2024 (In Person 3-4:30 – location will be announced)
- April 24th, 2024 (Virtual 3-4)
- May 29th, 2024 (In Person 3-4:30 – location will be announced)

The **LEADERSHIP TEAM** meets one week before the coalition meeting from 3-4pm and for a Leadership Retreat in July.

MARIJUANA/VAPING COMMITTEE meets online, bimonthly on the 1st Wednesday, from **3:30-5PM:**

- September 6th, 2023
- November 1st, 2023
- January 3rd, 2024
- March 6th, 2024
- May 1st, 2024
- July 3rd, 2024 (tentative)

ALCOHOL COMMITTEE meets online, bimonthly on the 1st Wednesday, from **3:30-5PM:**

- October 4th, 2023
- December 6th, 2023
- February 7th, 2024
- April 3rd, 2024
- June 5th, 2024
- August 7th, 2024 (tentative)

TEEN NIGHTS OUT COMMITTEE meets online, weekly on Tuesdays from 3-3:30pm.

NORWALK STRONG CLUBS (our youth coalition) meet weekly from 2:30-3:30pm, one in each high school building.

PROJECT WORKGROUPS meet as needed: Freshman Forum, NorWALK for Mental Health, Data Committee.

About Us: We are a coalition of community members and agencies working together to prevent substance misuse and promote mental wellness in Norwalk youth. We seek representation from the many cultures and groups that make up Norwalk, including youth, families, individuals in recovery, schools, civic/volunteer groups, youth-serving organizations, local government, business, faith-based/fraternal groups, healthcare, treatment providers, law enforcement, and media.

We ask that TNP members share their knowledge, experiences, and connections at our meetings, and that members bring our data, plans, and resources back to the group(s) they are a part of.

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