

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.

THE NORWALK PARTNERSHIP (TNP) MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2024-25 (as of Aug. 2024)

The **COALITION MEETING** generally occurs on the *last* (not 4th) Wednesday of each month. This year's meetings will all run from **3pm-4:30pm**. This year we will have **at least 2 in-person** meetings to allow for networking & resource sharing. All other meetings will be virtual (via Zoom). To be added to the invites, please email Margaret at mwatt@positivedirections.org. For minutes, visit thenorwalkpartnership.org/meetings.

- September 18th, 2024 (Virtual) *Note: This meeting is one week earlier than usual.*
- October 30th, 2024 (Virtual)
- November 20th, 2024 (Virtual) Note: This meeting is one week earlier than usual.
- January 29th, 2025 (In Person, Norwalk Public Library)
- February 26th, 2025 (Virtual)
- March 26th, 2025 (Virtual)
- April 30th, 2025 (Virtual)
- May 28th, 2025 (In Person, Norwalk Public Library)
- June 25th, 2025 (Virtual)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: This year, our two standing committees will be based on strategies rather than substances. The committee meeting schedule (below) will be adjusted by committee members if needed.

- **EDUCATION & AWARENESS COMMITTEE** will tentatively meet on 2nd Tuesdays from 4-5PM (online). This committee will work on trainings/events, videos, and communications.
- **ENVIRONMENT & ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE** will tentatively meet on 3rd Tuesdays, from 3-4PM (online). This committee will focus on environmental scans, signage, ATOD policies at school, supporting compliance, etc.
- The **TNP CORE LEADERSHIP GROUP** will meet online two weeks before each coalition meeting, from 3-4pm: 9/4, 10/16, 11/6, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9 (one week early), 5/14, 6/11. Leadership Retreat in July.
- YOUTH COALITION (aka Norwalk Strong clubs) meet weekly at each high school. Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30pm at BMHS/CGS and Thursdays from 2:30-3:30pm at NHS/PTECH.
- **PROJECT WORKGROUPS** meet online as determined by the project committees: Data Committee, NorWALK for Mental Health, Legislative Planning, Teen Nights Out, etc.

SAVE THE DATE! 4th annual NorWALK for Mental Health: Walk + Wellness Fair: Saturday, May 3rd, 2025.

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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