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Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Outcomes Form

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

It is that time of the year again when CADCA asks you to send us your program's outcomes. This will help ensure that the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities (SDFSC) program receives the highest possible level of funding in the final FY 2008 budget.

Please present your program's outcomes, using statistical measures that show progress from a baseline. Congress is very interested in identifying and supporting programs that can document their success in terms of increases in positive results, (e.g. increase in perception of risk by 15% between 2000 and 2004) or decreases in negative results (e.g. reduced drug use by 13% among 10th graders between 2003 and 2005). Please also submit the strategies that were implemented to achieve these outcomes. In addition, the information that you have collected for the USED Consolidated State Performance Reports (CSPR) would be extremely helpful in making the case for SDFSC program. Please submit your outcomes, strategies and data from the CSPR to CADCA by downloading the attached form in MS Word and submitting them to David Kurosky at dkurosky@cadca.org. **THE DEADLINE TO RETURN FORM IS ASAP, BUT NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 23, 2007.**

Why Your Program's Statistical Data Is Vital

Last year the President recommended eliminating the State Grants portion of the SDFSC program. **Although the field was successful in restoring \$346.5 million to the program for FY 2006, for FY 2007, the President again recommended eliminating the program.** The SDFSC program consistently has been scrutinized and mislabeled as ineffective. Consequently, it has had an extremely difficult time maintaining a stable funding base, let alone receiving funding increases.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU RETURN YOUR OUTCOMES NO LATER THAN MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2007.

Tips to Remember When Preparing Your Data

- If possible, please provide data on the following for alcohol, tobacco and marijuana:
 - Past 30 day use
 - Past year use
 - Lifetime use
 - Perception of disapproval
 - Perception of risk
 - Age of onset

- Please provide your data in numeric values, typically in percentages
 - Please note that *Age of Onset* is typically reported as the average age a specific substance was first tried for a particular grade level.

- If possible, please provide data for three years, starting with your baseline. Please indicate the baseline year as well as the most recent years for which you have collected data.

- Please indicate the grade levels for which you collect data. (Most collect information for sixth, eighth, 10th and 12th grades, but please enter whatever grades you have data for).

- Please designate the survey or data collection tool used to collect the data.

- Please provide definitions for the youth substance abuse outcomes you are reporting on (examples are provided for you).

Term	SAMPLE DEFINITIONS
Past 30-Day Use	Sample Definition: Percentage of respondents using alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana at least ONCE in the past 30 days.
Past Year Use	Sample Definition: Percentage of respondents using alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana at least ONCE in the past year.
Lifetime Use	Sample Definition: Percentage of respondents using alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana at least ONCE in their lifetime.
Perception of Risk	Sample Definition: The percentage of respondents feeling regular use of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana was <i>moderate risk</i> or <i>great risk</i> .
Perception of Parental Disapproval	Sample Definition: Percentage of respondents who reported their parents felt regular use of alcohol was <i>wrong</i> or <i>very wrong</i> ; the percentage of respondents who reported their parents felt ANY use of cigarettes or marijuana was <i>wrong</i> or <i>very wrong</i> .
Average Age of Onset	Sample Definition: Average age a specific substance was first tried for a particular grade level

Examples of Useful Outcomes:

- Saratoga Union High School District reported that freshman reporting they had ever used marijuana decreased at a rate of 54% from 13% in 2001 to 6% in 2005.
- Illinois – Reported a decrease of 19% among 8th graders reporting past month use of alcohol from 21.2% in 2000 to 17% in 2004.
- Maine – 8th grade students reporting they never used alcohol increased from 23% in 2000 to 54.3% in 2005.
- Washington- A 2005 survey of 59 school districts shows that 47% of 10th graders believe regular marijuana use will lead to a lot of harm, up 4.7% from two years ago.

Examples of Poor Outcomes:

- Children who had a mentor for at least two years were 58% less likely to try alcohol – 5% increase from previous year. (This outcome is not useful because neither the baseline nor the current survey year is included, the age group is not provided and no time frame is given for the measurement, e.g., 30 day use, lifetime use, etc.)
- The use of marijuana at the elementary level has decreased by 39.28% (ever used). (This outcome is not useful because it does not provide the baseline or current survey year and it does not provide an age group for the subjects of the survey.)

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Program Outcome Form

Please fill out a separate form for the State Grant & Governor's Portion of the Program

Name: _____

Position: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

County: _____

School District: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Background on your Safe and Drug Free Schools Program: (Please note if you receive funding from the State Grant or Governor's Portion of the program)

1. How much SDFSC funding do you receive each year (please indicate whether this funding is from the State Grants portion or the Governor's portion of the program):
2. How many years has your program been in existence?
3. How many students does the program serve?
4. How many schools does the program serve?
5. What instrument do you use to collect your data?
6. How often do you collect data?
7. Outcomes from your SDFSC program:
8. Strategies and Policies Implemented to Achieve Outcomes (*e.g.*, reducing underage access to alcohol via the implementation of compliance checks, server trainings, and party ordinances. Please be as specific as possible):
9. Please provide the definitions for the data collected.
10. Please provide relevant data from your Consolidated State Performance Reports.

RETURN TO: David Kurosky at dkurosky@cadca.org or via fax at (703) 706-0565. **DEADLINE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2007.**