

Mission & Vision

Hinsdale Prevention Coalition is a group of adults and youth working together to create and maintain a healthy community for all.

We envision a Hinsdale where adults and youth work together to prevent and reduce alcohol, tobacco & other drugs problems in youth and adults which are recognized and treated as health problems and where these efforts are supported by the entire community. We will build community connections and pride while providing a safe, opportunity-rich environment that connects across the generations.



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"Working together building a healthier community."



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HPC At Work

In 2003 the Hinsdale Youth Risk Behavior Survey indicated that our children were starting to use substances at very young ages. Hinsdale youth reported: 43% of had smoked tobacco, 42% had tried alcohol and 29% had tried marijuana. All when they were under the age of 13.

The 2007 Hinsdale Youth Risk Behavior Survey showed considerable improvement, but substance use rates were much higher than the State of NH.

The 2009 survey results will be available in early 2010 from the NH Department of Health & Human Services.



Functions of HPC

- HPC focuses on projects that impact the key risk and protective factors in Hinsdale as identified and prioritized by reviewing trends in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey results.
- HPC strives to build community members' commitment to preventing youth substance abuse by increasing perceptions of harm, reducing adult and youth perceptions of use as normal and increasing youth and adult norms disapproving of use.
- Through school-based education, HPC strives to reduce Hinsdale's youth's favorable attitudes towards substance use and increase youth perception of harm by implementing proven strategies.
- Increasing Pro-Social attitudes for school-age youth, including bonding and mentoring with positive young adults and adults through Hinsdale ACCESS in the Hinsdale Elementary and Middle Schools.



Local Resources

- Addictions Institute-Families
www.theaddictioninstitute.com
- Brattleboro Retreat
www.brattlebororetreat.org
- Cheshire County Domestic Violence Council
www.ccdvc.org
- Health Care and Rehabilitative Services
www.hcrs.org
- Monadnock Family Services
www.mfs.org
- Phoenix House
www.phoenixhouse.org
- Youth Services
www.youthservicesinc.org

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