



SHIAWASSEE  
PREVENTION NETWORK

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## **2019 YEAR IN REVIEW**

The Shiawassee Prevention Network has been in existence for over 8 years and consists of members (agencies and residents) in Shiawassee County as well as state-level representation from Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking, Mid-State Health Network, Michigan State Police, and Michigan Association for Suicide Prevention.

Shiawassee Prevention Network's mission is to identify and take action on social issues impacting Shiawassee County. In the past, the group has acted on initiatives to reduce child abuse, underage drinking, vaping, substance misuse/abuse, suicide/self-harm, and many other social issues impacting Shiawassee County.

It's been a busy year for SPN. Together, SPN accomplished:

- Supported and promoted *Sexual Assault Awareness Month*
- Supported and promoted *Child Abuse Prevention Month*
- Attended and showcased SPN activities at Shoalition in Lansing
- Supported *Mental Health Awareness Month*
- Attended *Walk-A-Mile In My Shoes* event at the State Capitol in Lansing
- Worked collaboratively with Alliance for Drug Free Shiawassee to promote and participated in *National Prevention Week* May 12-18
- Organized *Suicide Prevention/Awareness Ice Cream Social* at Baker College
- Participated and promoted SPN at Touch a Truck event
- Received \$750 *Communities Talk Grant* for Underage Drinking Prevention Town Hall event. SPN printed a *Parent Guide: Resource to help identify teen drug and alcohol use* brochure
- Created and updates SPN Facebook page: Shiawassee Prevention Network
- Receive \$4,500 *Opioid Misuse/Abuse Prevention Grant*.
  - Created and printed *Summer Increases Teen Drug & Alcohol Use* flip card and distributed throughout Shiawassee County as well as through paid advertisements
  - Purchased DeTerra Medicine disposal bags and distributed to agencies throughout the county.
  - Retained ImPLY By Design to create and promote Geofencing on social media for the following campaigns:
    - Suicide Prevention Awareness Week
    - Prescription Drug Take Back Events, including county locations
    - Underage Drinking Prevention Town Hall in December
    - Teen Vaping Prevention
- Supported *Shiawassee County Health Department's No Tobacco Day*
- Supported (and continue to support) the development of the *Families Against Narcotics*
- Attended the *Mid-State Health Network Prevention Conference*

- Participated (with SafeCenter) at the New Lothrop Car Show
- Organized two-day *Prevention Matters Conference: Current Trends and Youth Mental Health*. There were 55 participants.
- Organized *Hidden In Plain Sight* trailer at the *Prevention Matters Conference*
- Organized *Hidden In Plain Sight* trailer at the Shiawassee County Fair
- Organized the Shiawassee Suicide Prevention Awareness Walk
- Hosted and attended the Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking state-wide meeting
- Shiawassee Suicide Prevention (a workgroup of SPN)
  - Organized *Do It For Daniel* community event. There were two showings with a total of 220 attendees.
  - Organized and exhibited *14 Reasons To Live* artwork from Durand High School Art Class
- Organized and participated in the *National Prescription Medication Drug Take Back Event* at Shiawassee Council on Aging (Owosso) and YMCA
- Participated and promoted in Narcan kit distribution and training locations at the YMCA and Recovery Pathways
- Promoted Safe & Sober Halloween Event sponsored by Peer 360
- Supported *Domestic Violence Awareness Month* events
- Supported *Youth Mental Health First Aid* trainings provided by Shiawassee Health and Wellness
- Supported *Teen Vaping Education/Prevention* classes provided by Catholic Charities
- Added Human Trafficking Task Force to SPN agenda as a Standing Committee.
- Established priorities for 2020:
  - Vaping Prevention Education
  - Prescription Medication Drug Take Back
  - Alcohol Prevention Education
  - Human Trafficking/Sextortion
  - Marijuana Education – Lock boxes and messaging

The Shiawassee Prevention Network Executive Team members are Penny Corbin (Shiawassee Health & Wellness), Daniel Bell (Catholic Charities), Grace Czbachowski (Shiawassee County Health Department), Barb Botke (Catholic Charities), and Stephanie Molnar (SafeCenter).

Meetings are held the third Wednesday each month from 9-10:00 a.m. at the Shiawassee County Health Department located at 149 East Corunna Avenue in Corunna.

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