

Coalition Meeting August 9th, 2017 10am

- **Remember to fill out membership forms**
 - Will spot-check who specifically still needs to submit a membership form
- Bring **community surveys** to community events, health fairs, etc.
 - Important method of data collection directly from the community
- **Wellspring is hosting a free Narcan training on August 28th at 6pm**
 - Offered free narcan kit
- Jose Cruz also offering Narcan trainings
 - Calls are currently coming in and dates are being planned
 - Real-time training based on need
 - Ex: hard-hit location or area where training would be helpful
- **Overdose Awareness Day is on August 31st** and three towns in Middlesex County are participating
- Offering support to the community
 - Old Bridge is hosting a memorial ceremony
 - South Amboy's is being hosted by the Board of Education
 - Important in getting the schools involved
 - Sayreville is hosting a ceremony in Kennedy Park
- The mobile billboard is moving to Old Bridge for Overdose Awareness Day
- **Recovery Walk** on September 16th in Liberty State Park in Jersey City
 - Encourage coalition members to attend
 - Possible carpool
 - It is a beautiful community event to provide support and spread awareness
- **Middlesex County Conference on Mental Health and Addiction Recovery** on Thursday, September 28th from 8am to 1pm
 - Register on Wellspring's website
 - Located at the Middlesex County Fire Academy in Sayreville
 - Presentations will include Strengthening Families and Communities and Senator Vitale will attend
 - Save the dates went out and tabling opportunities are available, breakfast and lunch will be provided
- **Legislative updates**
 - Governor Christie has signed Tobacco 21 (raising the age to purchase tobacco products to 21)
 - It will go into effect in November and includes vapes and e-cigarette products
 - Civil penalties for smoking/vaping violations
 - New Jersey communities may elect to pass an ordinance making public smoking and vaping a civil offense punishable by a fine instead of a criminal offense
 - Fine of up to \$200 for smoking in prohibited places
- **Generation Found**

- Watched the first half hour and last fifteen minutes of “Generation Found”
- <http://generationfoundfilm.com/> → link to the trailer and any supplementary information about the film
- Still need to watch more to decide if the film is appropriate to show to students in schools (middle school/high school)
 - Showing it to school administrators, teachers, SACs, superintendents to raise awareness about recovery high school
 - Starting on a smaller scale and introducing “recovery clubs” in schools and providing resources to start introducing the idea
- Robert Wood Johnson hospital working to provide safe medication disposal information for all patients in discharge packets each patient receives when they are discharged from the hospital