



Champion for Prevention Series

Be a Champion for Prevention: Marijuana Policy in the Time of COVID-19

Purpose

During our Pacific Southwest Listening Sessions for Prevention Practitioners on doing prevention during the COVID-19 pandemic, a concern that was frequently raised was about local and state marijuana policies and regulations shifting to accommodate businesses during COVID-19 restrictions without public health considerations. Some of the questions raised during these sessions included concerns about increased availability of marijuana in the COVID-19 environment. Others expressed concern about marijuana dispensaries been deemed essential businesses by state leaders. Many were concerned that these new practices will contribute to increased substance misuse and continue beyond the COVID-19 pandemic.

To respond to these concerns, we are holding this important discussion session with experts in this area. **If you share these concerns, please join us to learn how YOU can be a champion for prevention!**

1. Registration will be limited and you will be asked to submit your discussion topic/concerns in advance.
2. Facilitators will moderate a dialogue with participants with the goal of identifying a cohort of participants who are willing to serve as champions who can mobilize their communities and disseminate information to their stakeholders and through their networks.
3. Following the discussion event, the Pacific Southwest PTTC will convene ongoing Community of Practice (COP) calls with champions identified to continue the dialogue.

Facilitators

Joe Eberstein, Program Manager for the San Diego County (MPI) Marijuana Prevention Initiative at the Center for Community Research, Inc.

Roneet Lev, MD, FACEP, Emergency Room Physician and former Chief Medical Officer of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).

Patrick Foley, Community Outreach Manager, McAlister Institute.

Details

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

03:00 p.m. - 04:30 p.m. Arizona

03:00 p.m. - 04:30 p.m. Pacific

12:00 p.m. - 01:30 p.m. Hawaii

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. American Samoa

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Republic of the Marshall Islands

09:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Pohnpei and Kosrae

08:00 a.m. - 09:30 a.m. Guam, Northern Mariana Islands,
Chuuk, and Yap

07:00 a.m. - 08:30 a.m. Republic of Palau

Cost: Free!

Registration is limited to 60 individuals to foster an interactive dialogue.

REGISTER HERE: <https://casatunr.wufoo.com/forms/marijuana-policy-in-the-time-of-covid19/>

Questions? Contact Janet Porter: jporter@casat.org.