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A Welcome from our New Administrator

Dear Gayle,

As I'm settling into my new role as the Administrator of the Idaho Office of Drug Policy, I want to take a moment to thank you for your dedication and determination to keep Idaho communities safe, healthy, and drug free. I, too, am passionate about prevention and recognize that it is only through our coordinated efforts that we will make strides toward eradicating substance abuse and the pain and suffering it causes. While there are some drugs that have been stubborn menaces in our communities, new threats are also emerging. It is vital that we work together to address these concerns, and it



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is that collaboration around innovative prevention strategies that I look forward *to the most.*

Warm Regards,
Elisha

2012 Legislative Session

What Drug Policy changes do Idahoans have to look forward to?

- **HB 502: Uniformed Controlled Substances (Effective 7/1/12)**
 - Updates Schedule I synthetic marijuana (Spice/K2/Haze) to cover modifications "to any extent" of compounds derived from the backbone structures of synthetic marijuana. This protects against recent and future modifications of these harmful drugs.
 - Amends existing law to revise provisions relating to Schedule I, Schedule III, Schedule IV and Schedule V Controlled Substances
- **HB 439: Prescription Monitoring Program (Effective 7/1/12)**
 - Extends the ability of the Board to provide Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) data to other state's licensing entities, practitioners, and pharmacists
 - Allow pharmacists PMP access when providing pharmaceutical care services
 - Allows the Board of Pharmacy to distribute unsolicited reports to pharmacists and practitioners
- **SB 1309: Pseudoephedrine Sales and Tracking (Effective 7/1/12)**
 - Revise provisions relating to maximum pseudoephedrine purchasing making it consistent with federal law
 - Establishes electronic sales tracking for real time ability to stop illegal sales
- **HB 450: Alcohol Beverage Control (Effective 7/1/12)**
 - Creates a dedicated account and funding source to provide adequate staffing to proactively ensure compliance with alcohol beverage laws consistently throughout the state; enhance customer service through increased assistance to licensees and other law enforcement agencies; and provide more efficient service for the citizens of Idaho.

For more information visit <http://odp.idaho.gov/policy/new.html>

Prescription Drug Abuse

In 2010, Idaho lost more than **16 individuals a month** due to drug induced deaths caused by illicit, prescription and over-the-counter drug use (Idaho Vital Statistics).

One in Five of Idaho's students have admitted to taking a prescription drug without a doctor's prescription (Idaho YRBS, 2011).

Dispose your unused and expired medications properly...

DEA National Take-back: Saturday April 28th, 10AM - 2PM

[Click here](#) to find one of the 25 locations across Idaho.

Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired
medication for safe disposal

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 10AM – 2PM

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DRUG FREE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

DFLA is a collaborative effort by ODP, Idaho Meth Project and Idaho Drug Free Youth to develop and mobilize Idaho's most committed drug-free teens to take action in their schools and communities. The first academy was held in McCall in February and provided drug education, media training, and an opportunity to develop action plans to 85 of Idaho's youth representing 67 different cities. Youth participants were inspired to become their communities' most vocal activists for positive peer influence and drug-free choices. Over the course of the weekend, students developed a media-driven advocacy project to be implemented this spring in their communities.



**Watch highlights from the
first ever Drug Free
Leadership Academy!**



Upcoming Events

Idaho State Prevention Conference
April 19-20, Sun Valley Convention Center

Strategic State Prevention Planning Committee
NEW DATE: May 23rd, 1- 4PM, Supreme Court Building



ICADD: Idaho Conference on Alcohol and Drug Dependency
May 14-17, Boise State University



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