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Program Spotlight: Alere Youth Development Empowering Idaho youth through evidence-based programs

The idea of Alere Youth Development was born out of a small grant-funded substance abuse prevention program. Through their work in the community, co-founders Scott Martin, Rob Tonks, and Mellissa Arter became aware of a need for programs that address the challenges that modern teens face such as drugs, violence, unhealthy media use, and contact with the juvenile justice system and social services.



The Alere Youth Development program provides factual information that is supported by high quality research. Teens are taught the skills they need to educate and advocate for themselves. The Alere Youth Development team believes that all teens have the potential to enact positive change in their own lives, in their families, and in their communities.

This year Alere Youth Development partnered with the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board to participate in the "Think Twice or Pay the Price" sticker shock campaign. Thirty-five youth gathered at Rexburg City Hall to hear a presentation on the dangers of underage drinking, eat pizza, and place 1000 stickers on bags that will be distributed at the local liquor store this holiday season. Stickers warn adults of the penalties for providing underage youth with alcohol.



[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Alere Youth Development.

Law Enforcement Grantee Announcements

Congratulations New PFS Grantees!

The Office of Drug Policy is pleased to announce the recipients of the Law Enforcement Partnership for Success Grant. The purpose of this grant is to prevent underage drinking, marijuana use, and methamphetamine use in Idaho through effective law enforcement techniques including interdiction activities, party patrols, shoulder tap operations, compliance checks, and community presentations.

FY2019 Grantees:

| Region | Agency |
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| 1 | Coeur d'Alene Police Department Kootenai County Sheriff's Office Shoshone County Sheriff's Department Spirit Lake Police Department |
| 2 | <i>ODP did not receive any Region 2 applications</i> |
| 3 | Caldwell Police Department Owyhee County Sheriff's Department |
| 4 | Meridian Police Department |
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| 5 | Blaine County Sheriff's Department Jerome County Sheriff's Office Kimberly-Hansen Police Department Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department |
| 6 | Bannock County Sheriff's Department Bingham County Sheriff's Department Blackfoot Police Department Oneida County Sheriff's Department |
| 7 | Bonneville County Sheriff's Department Region 7 Task Force Rexburg Police Department |

Funding for this grant extends through June 2019. ODP will open the FY2020 Law Enforcement PFS grant application in Spring 2019.

ODP Welcomes an AmeriCorps VISTA

Meet Kylee Holdaway

The Office of Drug Policy is happy to introduce Kylee Holdaway, our first AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteer in Service to America).

AmeriCorps VISTA members build capacity in nonprofit organizations and public agencies to help them more effectively empower individuals and communities.

AmeriCorps VISTA members serve full time for one-year terms.

A native of Mud Lake, Kylee comes to ODP from St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Nampa where she works as a Certified Nursing Assistant. Kylee holds a B.S. in Biology/Biomedical Engineering from Boise State and has aspirations of completing Medical School.



Kylee will be involved with implementing and organizing the Opioid Misuse and Overdose Strategic Plan. We are excited to have her as a member of the team, lending her experience in clinical practice to enrich ODP's prevention perspective.

Kylee is active with Girls on the Run and has been a coach for the past

5 years. She is excited for this opportunity and looks forward to working together over the next year.

ICADD Substance Abuse Prevention Award

Nominations will be accepted until December 31st

The Idaho Conference on Alcohol and Drug Dependency Substance Abuse Prevention Award is designed to recognize an outstanding Idaho substance abuse prevention professional. To be considered for the award nominated individuals must be strong prevention advocates, demonstrating leadership, best practice service delivery, community involvement and their commitment to substance abuse prevention.

Keep in mind that only information that you provide will be used to assess the nominee's suitability for an award. Please be thorough, yet succinct. A list of the nominees, with the responses you provide, will be sent to the prevention community to vote on the final award winner.

Previous Substance Abuse Prevention Award winners include Kay Bennett, Darin Burrell, Monte Stiles, Nancy Lopez, Terry Pappin, and Karen DesAulniers. Nominations for any previous award recipients will not be considered.

[CLICK HERE](#) to complete the nomination form.

Prevention Ethics and Basics Courses

Courses are free and self-paced

What: ODP partnered with JBS International, Inc. and developed e-learning courses to support the fulfillment of PFS and SABG grantee Provisional Prevention Specialist (PPS) requirements. The courses are available through the JBS online learning management system.

Available Courses:

- *Substance Abuse Prevention Ethics* (4 hours)
- *Fundamentals of Prevention* (5 hours)

Audience: ODP grant recipients, prevention providers, and prevention coalition partners.

Registration: Go to <https://idhlms.jbsinternational.com> and select the "New Account" button on the login screen. Follow the instructions to create an account. You will receive an email asking you to verify your registration and will then be able to enroll in the courses using a required registration key. Please contact ODP at 208-854-3040 to

request the registration key(s).

Upon completion of the course and assessment test, you will be able to access a completion certificate indicating the number of training hours completed.

A Fond Farewell from Nicole Fitzgerald

ODP Administrator to leave in January

Dear Prevention Champions,

I will be leaving my post at the Office of Drug Policy in January and wanted to extend my sincere gratitude to all of the prevention supporters and warriors that I have had the great privilege of working with over my tenure at ODP.

During this time of sweeping drug law changes in our country, I have been proud to work alongside you in our data-driven approach to maintaining drug laws that promote health and safety. It has been an honor to represent Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter in his steadfast position against the legalization of marijuana. His leadership on this issue has kept Idaho from the onset of the devastating effects that increasing access and availability to substances has on communities.

I will be cheering ODP and the field of prevention on in this upcoming legislative session. Keep your heads up and remain steadfast in the knowledge that the truth is on our side.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Healthy, Happy New Year!

My warmest regards,

Nicole Fitzgerald

The Idaho Office of Drug Policy leads Idaho's substance abuse policy and prevention efforts by developing and implementing strategic action plans and collaborative partnerships to reduce drug use and related crime, thereby improving the health and safety of all Idahoans.



We envision an Idaho free from the devastating social, health, and economic consequences of substance abuse.





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