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#### APRIL IS ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH

**April Matte Release:** Visit our web site and add your own information to promote alcohol awareness in your community.

**In The Spotlight:** Visit our web site to nominate a colleague for their great work.

**Funding:** FSSA has announced funds for projects that will target and provide or improve regional services for adults, children, families and the aging population with developmental disabilities, mental illness or chemical addiction in seven of eight FSSA regions. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 14, 2004. E-mail [herrmann@fssa.state.in.us](mailto:herrmann@fssa.state.in.us) for details.

The Indiana Prevention Resource Center at Indiana University is funded, in part, by the Division of Mental Health and Addiction/FSSA.

**Indianapolis** — Sponsored by We Care America (a national network of faith-based organizations dedicated to building capacity within the prevention and treatment arena) and SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), the Division of Mental Health and Addiction/FSSA (DMHA/FSSA) hosted a two-day grant writing workshop at the Indiana State Museum. March 24th-25th, over 160 prevention and treatment providers from across Indiana attended.

SAMHSA, We Care America, and DMHA/FSSA pulled their resources together to present a holistic approach to treatment and prevention. Topics of discussion included funding priorities and sources,

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**April 13-16** - Proposal Planning & Writing Workshop sponsored by the IPRC and DMHA/FSSA.

**April 20** - Legal Yet Lethal, Isabel Burk and Dr. Burns Brady to discuss prescription drug use. E-mail [CASIATODprevent@aol.com](mailto:CASIATODprevent@aol.com) for more information.

**April 27** - The Rise & Fall of Toga and Keggers:

strategies of effective grant writing, funding sustainability, evidence-based prevention programs, substance abuse trends and Indiana's strategic plan for addressing future issues of substance abuse prevention and treatment.

"The workshop was a success" says Diana Williams, Bureau Chief of Addiction Services for DMHA/FSSA, "we are very eager to work with the faith based and grassroots organizations in Indiana." Diana further states that "the faith-based and grassroots organizations in Indiana have been working fervently for many years and DMHA is pleased to have the opportunity to partner with them to strengthen the treatment, prevention and recovery support systems."

Interventions that work sponsored by OJJDP. \*Electronic conference.

**May 18** - LCC Leadership Networking Luncheon sponsored by ICJI at Columbus Youth Camp. E-mail [terri.wedding@insightbb.com](mailto:terri.wedding@insightbb.com) for more information.

**May 18** - Out of Control: The Link Between Alcohol and Riots. \*Electronic conference.

According to Kevin Monroe of We Care America, "the IPRC does a fabulous job tracking and reporting usage trends which is a great asset to the service providers seeking public and private support for their programs." Monroe further stated that, "it was an awesome privilege to work with the wonderful people in Indiana. This was one of our best workshops and we attribute it to the zeal and commitment of the grassroots faith-based community organizations, the great support from the State of Indiana's Division of Mental Health and Addiction and their staff sharing great resources and information. We Care America is grateful for all of the support received, which made the SAMHSA Grant Writing Workshop a success."

**May 19** - Science-Based Prevention Workshop at Vincennes University sponsored by ICJI, FSSA/DMHA and CAPT.

**May 24-28** - Annual Institute for Alcohol and Drug Studies conference at University of Evansville.

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