

Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition

Okmulgee County
2010

Coalition Priorities:

1. ATOD Prevention & Education
2. Child and Family Abuse Prevention
3. Physical Activity & Nutrition Promotion
4. Access to Health Care
5. Emergency Service Improvement
6. Youth & Family Support

About Us...

The Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition was started in 2006 by a small group of individuals interested in improving the health and well being of citizens of their area. In a short amount of time they have established a large, active, diverse membership and made great progress in improving the health of Okmulgee County. They have developed a large coalition with several active committees working in the identified goal areas.

Through the use of community needs assessments, Okmulgee County Wellness Coalition identifies priority gaps in the community and establishes training or strategic intervention programs to address the identified issues.

This group has build excitement and momentum in their community that has produced and will continue to produce very real positive results. They have proven that community partnerships do have an impact on the health of a community.

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Backpack Buddy Program
- ◆ Increase in tobacco control policies and ordinances
- ◆ After school program started in Okmulgee
- ◆ BITE Grant Award
- ◆ Expansion of "Backpack Buddies" for area school children
- ◆ Underage Drinking Media Campaign
- ◆ Increase calls to Tobacco Helpline
- ◆ Smokefree Home Initiative
- ◆ Tobacco Training & Education
- ◆ Coalition and Committee growth and capacity building
- ◆ Tobacco Media Activities & Countermarketing
- ◆ Underage Drinking Campaign

Partners:

Okmulgee Memorial Hospital	DHS
Okmulgee County Health Department	Morris PD
City of Okmulgee	OJA
City of Henryetta	CREOKS
OSU-Okmulgee	OSU Ext.
Muscogee Creek Nation	
OSU-Area Prevention Resource Center	
Elected Officials & Judicial Representatives	
Deep Fork Community Action	
Youth Services of Okmulgee	
Okmulgee County Consortium	
County Schools	
Okmulgee Family Resource Coalition	
Emergency Medical Services	
George Nigh Rehabilitation Center	
Area Law Enforcement	
Covington Aircraft	
Systems of Care	
Drug Free Communities Project	
Ministerial Alliance	

Key Activities:

- Community Mobilization & Education
- Fitness Challenge
- ATOD Prevention Activities
- Obesity Prevention & Physical Activity Efforts
- Underage Drinking Prevention Initiative
- Emergency Services Initiative
- Tobacco Control Activities
- Cars Can Become Coffins Event
- Okmulgee Co Family Fun Festival
- Okmulgee Middle School Wellness Center
- Circle of Friends Trail System
- Farmers Market Partnership
- Community Garden
- Farm to You Exhibit
- Walk to School day
- Turn Off TV Week
- Child Abuse Prevention Activities

