

**New Hampshire
State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW)
Charter
January 4, 2011**

Mission Statement: “The NH SEOW promotes analytical thinking and methods in support of improved mental, emotional and behavioral health in NH.”

Purpose:

The NH SEOW is a multidisciplinary working group with a mission to promote analytical thinking and methods in support of improved behavioral health in NH. To do this, the SEOW is tasked with increasing access to data and data products that address substance use and behavioral health issues to inform prevention and treatment efforts and broader policy in the state. Specifically, the objectives for the NH SEOW are:

Objective 1: To collect, analyze and interpret data to determine the scope and extent of substance use and behavioral health risk and related problems, both statewide and locally.

Objective 2: To collect, analyze, and interpret data to characterize protective factors for mental, emotional, and behavioral health, and assets vital to the delivery of prevention, treatment, and recovery services.

Objective 3: To facilitate the establishment of a web-accessible database of substance use and mental health indicators to enable analysis of prevalence, trends and impacts at the state and regional levels.

Objective 4: To develop and disseminate data products to targeted audiences in the education, health, government, business and safety sectors to address questions of direct policy relevance and increase awareness and shared responsibility.

Objective 5: To provide input into New Hampshire’s priorities for its Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant Application.

Date of Creation: January 2011

Date of Expiration: June 2012, with expectations of renewal

Leadership:

The lead agency for the New Hampshire SEOW is the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services, NH Department of Health and Human Services. The SEOW is chaired by Jeffrey Metzger, PhD – SEOW Chair, who acted as the SEOW Coordinator during the five-year experience with the SPF SIG SEOW and is the now Epidemiologist for the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services (BDAS).

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Dr. Metzger is supported in his leadership role by Lisa Muré, MEd, Director of the BDAS Center of Excellence, Community Health Institute; and Patricia DiPadova, MBA, and Amy Cullum, MA, MPH who manage the work of the SEOW as co-Program Managers at the Center for Excellence.

SEOW Leadership Responsibilities:

The SEOW Chair is responsible for submitting progress reports according to the reporting schedule.

The SEOW Project Managers are responsible for organizing and facilitating the SEOW meetings. The Program Managers are responsible for the timely production of all SEOW deliverables under the direction of the SEOW and in collaboration with the Chair.

SEOW Membership:

The members of the SEOW represent a broad array of state agencies including the Departments of Safety, Health and Human Services, Education, Corrections, Justice, as well as analysts from nonprofit organizations private agencies, and universities.

SEOW Members	Roles	Organization	Specialty
Jeff Metzger	SEOW Chair, Epidemiologist	NH Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services	YRBS
Lisa Muré	Center for Director	Center for Excellence, NH Community Health Institute	CFEX Website
Amy Cullum	Program Manager, Analyst	Center for Excellence, NH Community Health Institute	
Patricia DiPadova	Program Manager, Analyst	Center for Excellence, NH Community Health Institute	
Sharon Alroy-Preis	Epidemiologist	NH DHHS	
Peter Antal	Analyst	Antal Consulting	Mental Health
Amy Costello	Researcher	UNH Institute for Health Pol. and Practice	Web Query System
Yvonne Goldsberry	Senior Director of Community Health	Cheshire Medical Center- Dartmouth Hitchcock Keene	Community Data Needs
Janet Horne	Analyst	NH Bureau of Behavioral Health	Community Mental Health Centers
Karen Lamb	Analyst	NH Dept of Safety	Criminal Records
Joanne Miles	Analyst	NH Dept of Public Health	Hospital, Vital Records
Patrick Roberts	Researcher	National Alliance on Mental Illness-NH	Suicide Prevention
Joan Schwarz	Analyst	NH Dept of Corrections (recidivism, etc)	Corrections Records
Jonathan Stewart	Director	NH Community Health Institute	
Neil Twitchell	Administrator	NH DHHS, Community Public Health Development Section	Community Data Needs

SEOW Member Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the SEOW members include:

- Attending scheduled meetings of the SEOW;
- Providing updated, relevant data on substance use and its consequences;
- Providing input into the development of SEOW deliverables, including the analysis and interpretation of data, dissemination of data products, and development and implementation of a state/community monitoring system;
- Providing input into New Hampshire's substance abuse prevention priorities.

SEOW Deliverables:

The Table below presents the deliverables and timelines for the SEOW through August 31, 2012.

Deliverable	Deadline
SEOW Meetings	Monthly
SEOW Product Plan	January 27, 2012
Progress Report	February 15, 2012
State/Community Instrument	February 10, 2012
Submit State Epidemiological Profile	March 16, 2012
Progress Report	May 15, 2012
Submit Community Epidemiological Profile	May 18, 2012
State Community Monitoring System Update	June 8, 2012
Submit SEOW Product	August 31, 2012