

## **PREP COALITION MEETING – March 30, 2016**

### **ROLL CALL**

Dana Hale, Molly Malloy, Frank Catrone, Ashanti Parker, Caitlin Tully, Tammy Stolicny, Pamela Gibbs, Desiree Boldi, Shirley Pisano, Helene Martinez, Rebecca Macky, Kristy Werstler, Cynthia Kennen, Susan Fiddler, Lisa Green, Lori Colian, Carmelita Smith, Julie Hayden, Marie Justice

### **REVIEW**

Molly Malloy introduced herself, Dana Hale, Frank Catrone and Ashanti Parker to the group. She explained PREP stands for Personal Responsibility Education Program. It is a teen pregnancy prevention program that targets youth in juvenile justice and foster care settings. Ohio PREP is divided into nine regions. We are in Region 6, which encompasses nine counties. Region 6 is in its fifth year grant cycle. Dana is currently working on a potential one year extension. Molly identified the counties represented by those in attendance. She informed the group that the training is approved for 7.25 hours of continuing education for social workers and counselors.

Molly said the next training will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> at Goodwill Industries. Region 6 will likely give both a Human Trafficking Training and a Trauma Training next grant cycle. She will share more details with everyone as they become available. Molly asked for ideas for future trainings. A representative of New Philadelphia Group Home asked if there would be a training addressing the heroin epidemic. Molly said PREP is geared toward STD and pregnancy prevention. She added mental health and recovery are new areas of focus for the program, but she is not sure if they are related to drug recovery. Stark County currently has a program at Malone University, which focuses on the heroin epidemic.

Molly introduced Caitlin Tully, a Training and Development Manager with the center for Family Safety and Healing. Caitlin greeted attendees and then began her “It’s Abuse: Teen Dating Abuse” presentation. The presentation provided an overview of the dynamics of teen dating abuse, digital dating abuse and reproductive coercion. Warning signs of victims and abusers were covered, as well as barriers to reporting, mandated reporting and tips for talking with victims. Upon the conclusion of the presentation, audience members completed a brief training evaluation.