

Statistics

- 67% of 15 year olds have already tried alcohol (Toronto Sun, 2015)
- There were 282 motor vehicle accidents in 2008 and 224 in 2012 for teens aged 15-19 (Statistics Canada, 2015)
- Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of deaths among 16-25 year olds (MADD, n.d.)
- Among these 55% involve drugs and alcohol (MADD, n.d.)



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OUR P.A.R.T.Y.



Prevention of Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth

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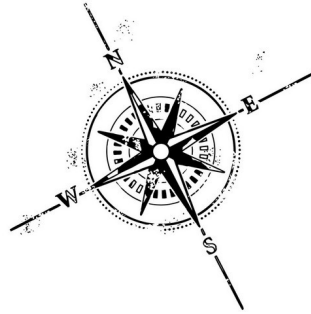
Prevent Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth

Originally began in Jan. 1986 at the Sunnybrook Health Science Center. It was developed primarily by Sunnybrook's trauma team. Today it is available in Canada, Australia, Brazil, Japan, Germany, and the USA and is continuing to expand.

The B.C. program began in 1997 at UHNBC which at the time was still called PGRH. It was started by physicians and nurses who were concerned about the rising number of youth related accidents and deaths.

Direction of the P.A.R.T.Y.

- Prevent drinking and driving
- Preventing smoking and drug abuse
- Prevent operating machinery when fatigued
- Prevent use of electronics while driving



"To promote injury prevention through vivid clinical reality, enabling youth to recognize risk, make informed choices and identify potential consequences about activities and behaviours" - Party Program

How the Program Can Be Improved

- Have simulation exercises representing real life experiences
- Make it more accessible to kids taking planning 10 by distance education
- Grade 11 students should teach what they have learned to Grade 8 students in their planning class every year
- This way kids are learning in Grade 8, 10, and teaching what they've learned in Grade 11



Target Population

- Grade 10 high school students from Prince George and surrounding areas.
- Reason for this age group is
 - teens are at the age when they are starting to drive and have more responsibility
 - they are starting to experiment with drugs and alcohol



Benefits

- A mentorship program would allow students to have access to the P.A.R.T.Y. program at a younger age
- By having older students acting as guides younger students would have an introduction to risk prevention at an earlier age
- Students would tailor what they have learned from the P.A.R.T.Y. program and apply personal experiences in order to teach their younger peers

Our Views

- We believe that when teaching what you have learned to others you also retain the information better in the long run
- We believe that kids are more receptive to information from other students as opposed to from adults