



Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force
Prevention Subcommittee
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Subject: Resources for the Implementation of SB 1109

Dear Athletic Director,

The San Diego Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force (PDATF) is dedicated to helping San Diegans recognize and prevent prescription drug misuse and abuse. High school student-athletes are particularly vulnerable to misusing and abusing prescription opioid pain killers due to their increased chances for injury and thus their increased risk for being prescribed opioids.

As you may know, Senate Bill 1109 recently passed. This bill requires organizations that offer athletic programs to give information to parents regarding opioids and their potential for abuse. For the complete bill text, see https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1109.

As you are developing your strategy to implement this law, we wanted to make you aware of several no-cost resources provided by the Prevention Subcommittee of the PDATF. One such resource is the poster provided to you here, which was developed in collaboration with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), and is designed to be placed in areas highly trafficked by student-athletes such as training or locker rooms. In addition to this poster, the DEA has developed online "playbooks" on preventing opioid misuse geared towards both students and parents: www.justthinktwice.com and www.getsmartaboutdrugs.com, respectively. An abbreviated playbook for parents is also included on the attached flyer, which can be printed and made available for distribution.

The subcommittee can also provide educational tools and facilitate presentations for your school. We can provide trainings to staff, parents, and students regarding prescription opioids and other drugs. Additional educational tools available include science-based drug prevention curricula, peer-to-peer drug prevention projects, informational materials for teachers and parents on current drug trends, and more.

If you would like more information on these no-cost resources or to schedule a staff training, parent meeting, or student assembly, please contact us through the PDATF website at www.SDPDATF.org.

We hope to hear from you soon,

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