

# FINAL MINUTES

## Governor's Task Force on Prescription Drug and Heroin Abuse

### Storage and Disposal Workgroup

Meeting One,  
November 12, 2014

#### In attendance:

Co- Chair: Rick Clark, Chief of Police- Galax

Co- Chair: Caroline Juran, Executive Director- VA Board of Pharmacy

Staff: Teresa Gooch, Department of Criminal Justice Services

Staff: Jessica Smith, Department of Criminal Justice Services

Delegate M. Keith Hodges, Virginia House of Delegates

Joe Flores, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Resources

Cynthia Hudson, Office of the Attorney General

Kevin Carroll, Virginia Fraternal Order of Police

Karl Colder, Drug Enforcement Administration

Amy Woods, HCA Healthcare

Deborah DeBiasi, Department of Environmental Quality

Kristina Morris, Department of Health

Scott Gordon, Chesterfield Police Department (Attending on behalf of Regina Whitsett-Chesterfield SAFE)

Regina Sayers, Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens

Kathy Sullivan, Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare

Sam Catron, 622 North

#### Welcome & Introductions

**Overview-** Caroline Juran: (attached powerpoint)

- **Workgroup mission:** To advance effective solutions that lead to safe storage and proper disposal of potentially dangerous prescription drugs (Slide 1)

#### Workgroup Objectives:

- Drop Boxes:
  - Increase the number of drug boxes or increase awareness or use of mail back programs throughout the Commonwealth.
  - Develop and maintain a locator map and marketing effort

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- Need to explore: new federal regulations, box and disposal security, how to obtain, maintain, and transfer, optimal locations for convenience, costs of acquiring and disposing, mobile incinerators
- Take-Back Events
  - Encourage more events
    - Need to explore: Guidance for LE, destruction methods
- Education, Awareness, and Marketing:
  - Importance of proper storage and disposal of prescription drugs
  - Promotion of drop boxes and take-back events
    - Need to explore: utilizing pharmacists, hospitals, and doctors to educate, PSA's (DEA), pamphlets, promotional items

**Meeting Adjourned-** Next meeting TBD in Charlottesville.