



Adverse Childhood Experiences

The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe

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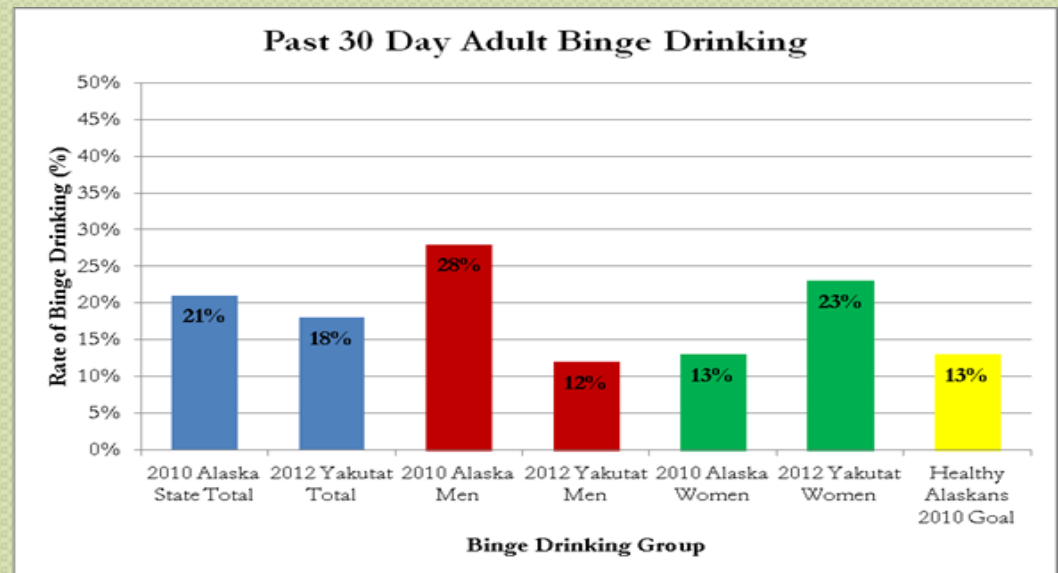
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BACKGROUND

- 2011 Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grantee
- Two focus areas:
 - Youth consumption (12-20)
 - Adult heavy and binge drinking (21-44)
- 5 Phase Process:
 - Assessment
 - Capacity Building
 - Planning
 - Implementation
 - Evaluation

- During the *assessment* process, we identified adult consequences:

- Domestic Violence
 - Quantitative data showed in 2010, there were 50 domestic violence disturbances, 24 assaults and 2 sexual assaults.
- Child Neglect
 - Quantitative data demonstrated a high concern for the amount of suspected unreported child neglect.



BACKGROUND (CONT.)

Key informant Interviews:

- *“Money floats freely in this town for you, so everyone’s got money and it’s easy to get your hands on alcohol here.”*
- *The 15-17 year old focus group suggested everyone was “indifferent” towards youth alcohol use, suggesting that adults “...don’t really care”*
- *Some parents provide alcohol and supervise.*

- During the *assessment* process youth data revealed:
 - Mixed views on how prevalent youth consumption is,
 - Youth drink due primarily to boredom, which increases in summer months when parents are busy,
 - Access is primarily provided by over 21 year olds,
 - Law enforcement is seen as “lazy” and it is “rare” to get a minor consuming as youth “just get out of it”. *Yakutat Youth Alcohol Use Survey (YYAUS) Results, 2011*

Minor Consuming Charge	Number of Charges
Minor Consuming – First	11
Minor Consuming, Habitual – 3 rd Offense	1
Minor Consuming Alcohol	2
Repeat Minor Consuming	1
Alcohol – Minor Possess/Consume – Habitual	1
Yakutat Total	16

Yakutat Minor Consuming Charges, 2010

Source: Alaska Court System

Train-the-Trainer

- Homer, AK training on Adverse Childhood Experiences; Substance Abuse and Adolescent Brain Development
 - 3 YTT SPF-SIG staff attended and 1 Coalition representative.
 - Presented for an hour and a half at the 2013-2014 Yakutat School District teacher's in-service.

Parent and youth education on ACEs

What?

- Adaptable presentations to be done for community partners.
 - Powerpoint presentations
 - 5-10 minute learning opportunities
- Paired with the local media campaign strategy.

Who?

- YSD; teacher's in-service,
- Yakutat Community Health Clinic staff,
- Combined: YSD school board, Head Start employees, student council,
- Yakutat Healthy Community Coalition,
- US Forest Service.

Media Campaign Materials

What?

- Posters
- PSAs at basketball games and on Raven Radio
- Parent mail-outs
- Decks of cards
- Table tents
- Notepads

What is that?

- Information on what Adverse Childhood Experiences are.
- Prevalence.
- Statistics on engagement of high risk behaviors and health indicators.
- Effects on brain development.
- Adapted response techniques.

Other ways to incorporate...

Yakutat's Advisory Board Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

- Restructure the board to include first responders and youth representatives.
- Include education on ACEs for Board.
- Include ACEs information in domestic violence education outreach.



Questions?

Thank you!

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