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**Substance Use Disorder Director's Report March 2021**

1. **Trainings:** the LRE is pleased to be hosting two virtual trainings for our SUD network this spring.
  - **April 22:** "Collegiate Prevention Training"- aimed at helping prevention providers better work with colleges and universities. This is in partnership with the Michigan Higher Education Network thru Prevention Network.
  - **May 11:** "Tobacco Cessation Training"-This training will aim at teaching clinicians the latest research and clinical information on effective tobacco cessation techniques and approaches for clients presenting with mental health disorders. The latest findings about how nicotine impacts the brain and body will be presented, emphasizing the unique neuroscience research associated with tobacco/nicotine dependence.
2. **Gambling Disorder Grant:** A 2-page update on the work surrounding this grant is attached for your review.
3. **TalkSooner Marketing Update:** from Karen Kirchenbauer, Principal Seyferth PR is attached for your review.
4. **Legislative Update:** Please find attached state SUD legislation that has been proposed.
5. **Oversight Policy Board (OPB) Update:** They met March 3 (the meeting packet can be found on the LRE website using this link [03032021+OPB+Meeting+Packet.pdf \(squarespace.com\)](https://www.lakeshore.org/03032021+OPB+Meeting+Packet.pdf)). They voted in new officers: Patrick Sweeny (Kent County)-Chair, Allegan County Commissioner Jim Storey-Vice Chair, and Sarah Sobel (Kent County)-Secretary. The LRE would like to thank these individuals for being willing to serve in a leadership role. The next meeting of the group is June 3, 2021 4pm-6pm (virtually via Microsoft Teams).