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Steuben Prevention Coalition Hosts Drug Impairment Training Course

**Bath, N.Y. — July 30, 2019 —** On Wednesday, July 24th and Thursday, July 25th, the Steuben Prevention Coalition (SPC) hosted a Drug Impairment Training for Education Professionals (DITEP) course at the Public Safety Building in Bath.

“This course will help school nurses and administrators, along with drug and alcohol counselors, to recognize the signs and symptoms of drug use among youth,” said Colleen Banik, Program Coordinator for the Coalition. “It will provide them with the tools they need to intervene at a crucial time in the lives of our children.”

Administrators and school nurses from Hammondsport, Hornell and Wayland-Cohocton were in attendance as well as members of the Family Service Society of Corning.

The training included a discussion and presentation of current drug trends, including synthetic cannabinoids and hallucinogens, and a review of physical assessment signs and symptomatology. Drug Recognition Experts credentialed by the New York State Police, were the course’s presenters.

The SPC is comprised of volunteer professionals from educational, faith-based, law enforcement, health care, and various other sectors who work to prevent and reduce youth substance use in Steuben County. For more information on the SPC please visit the website at [www.steubenpreventioncoalition.org](http://www.steubenpreventioncoalition.org)

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