Monthly Check List to Keep you active with fresh Ideas.

**To help with the planning and scheduling of your Drug Awareness Program and its events the following schedule was developed. It is not designed to contain all Drug Awareness Events, just some of them. Please use this schedule to aid you in growing your Drug Awareness Program. If there is an event you would like to see added, please let me know**

**March:**

**1.**      **Should be planning for Drug Awareness Activities during Youth Week in May**

**2.**      **Remind your District's and Lodges that all DAP information need to be in CLMS before May 1st.**

**3.**      **National Prescription Drug Take-Back Days - April 2025 (Date TBD)**

**4.**      **Planning for Drug Awareness Activities during Youth Week in May (May 3–9)**

**5.**      **Planning for the National Alcohol Awareness Month in April should be completed.**

6.      **Planning for your Lodge to be involved in the National Prescription Take Back Day in April, should be completed.**

**April**

**1.**      **Alcohol Awareness Month**

**2.**      **Lodge Drug Awareness Report due to State DAP Chair by April 1st**

**3.**      **Planning for Drug Awareness Activities during Youth Week in May (3–9), should be completed**

**4.**      **Planning for National Prevention Week which will take place May 11 through 17, 2025, should be completed.**

**5.**      **National Prescription Drug Take-Back Days - April 2025 (Date TBD)**

**6.**      **Are you working on your Lodge Enrique Camarena Award?**

**7**.      **Remind your District's and Lodges that all DAP information need to be in CLMS before May 1st.**

**﻿May**

**1.**      **Drug Awareness Activities During Youth Week May (3–9)**

**2.**      **National Prevention Week May 11-17**

**3.**      **Remind your District's and Lodges that all DAP information need to be in CLMS before May 1st.**

**4.**      **Are you working on your Drug Awareness Video, Essay and Poster Contest?**

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**JUNE**

1. **Are you working on your Lodge Enrique Camarena Award?**
2. **When is the last time you gave your DAP information to be entered into CLMS? Remember 1801 is the most important number to the DAP in CLMS**
3. **Did you schedule the Drug Awareness Trailer or Elroy for a Lodge or community Event?**
4. **Remind your Districts, Lodges, and all Elks attending Grand Lodge, that the Elks National Drug Awareness Commission will host an "Open House" on Tuesday July 1st.**

**July**

1. **Start planning for Drug Awareness Month in October**
2. **Start planning for Red Ribbon Week in October**
3. **Are you planning for Alcohol Awareness Week in November?**
4. **Are you planning a back to school event?**
5. **Plan a workshop to provide parents with resources for making healthy choices and copying skills for back to school bullying.**

**August**

1. **Start planning for Drug Awareness Month in October**
2. **Start planning for Red Ribbon Week in October**
3. **Are you working on your Drug Awareness Poster Contest?**
4. **Are you working on your Drug Awareness Essay Contest?**
5. **Are you planning for Alcohol Awareness Week in November?**
6. **Remind your District's and Lodges to enter all DAP information into CLMS**

**September:**

1. **Planning for Drug Awareness Month in October should be completed**
2. **Planning for Red Ribbon Week in October should be completed**
3. **Are you planning for Alcohol Awareness Week in November?**
4. **Start planning for a Great American Smoke-out event on the third Thursday November.**
5. **Are you working on your Drug Awareness Essay Contest?**

**October**:

 **1. Finalize plans for Red Ribbon Week**

 **2. Finalize plans for Alcohol Awareness week**

 **3. share share share the poster/essay and video contest.**

 **4. Partner with heath providers to promote Great American Smoke Out.**

 **5. make an appointment with local law enforcement to nominate for the Enrique Camarena Award.**

 **6. Remember it is LIGHT UP AMERICA RED month. Ask local businesses, government buildings, law enforcement buildings to add red lights for Red Ribbon Week.**

**Do not forget the following items:**

1. **Take bookmarks to Libraries.**
2. **Take coloring books to restaurant.**
3. **Use the coloring books in your Lodge dining room.**
4. **Setup a booth\table at community events.**
5. **Work with your school resource officers.**
6. **Including the DAP bookmarks in your Dictionary Project**
7. **Contacting schools, libraries, Social Service offices, etc. To see if they would like some of the Elks DAP material**

**Submit an article for your Lodge bulletin**

Fantastic educational websites for all DAP Chairs: Besides GOOGLE, these are mine.

[www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org)

[www.elksdap.org](http://www.elksdap.org)

[www.training.elksdap.com](http://www.training.elksdap.com)

[www.Youtube/akward conversations.com](http://www.Youtube/akward%20conversations.com)

[www.elkskidzone.com](http://www.elkskidzone.com)

[www.elksteenzone.com](http://www.elksteenzone.com)

[www.DEA.gov](http://www.DEA.gov)

[www.samhsa.gov](http://www.samhsa.gov)

[www.nida.nih.gov](http://www.nida.nih.gov)