



PREVENTION AT WORK

Preventing substance use and promoting wellness with data-driven evidence-based programs and environmental strategies.

2026 Rhode Island Student Survey (RISS) Press Conference

DATE AND TIME:

Wednesday, October 28th
3:00 - 4:00pm

LOCATION:

Hamlet Middle School
60 Florence Drive
Woonsocket, RI

The Rhode Island Student Survey (RISS) is administered every other year and is the largest student survey examining the risk and prevalence of substance use, bullying, depression, suicide, and violence among Rhode Island youth in middle and high schools. The intention and purpose of the RISS is to identify areas where there are strengths that can be built upon and to put additional resources into those areas that need improvement. The RISS is a collaboration among the Rhode Island Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (RI BHDDH), the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH), the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE), and the University of Rhode Island (URI). Please join us in the unveiling of the latest RISS data and learn more about Rhode Island students and communities.

SPEAKERS

- **Rich Leclerc, Director** - RI Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities, & Hospitals
- **Lisa Carcifero, Director** - Blackstone Valley Prevention Coalition
- **Amanda Muriel, Former Student** – Woonsocket High School
- **Dr. Patrick McGee, Superintendent of Schools** - Woonsocket Education Department
- **Melly Bello, Student Assistance Counselor Supervisor** - C3 Wellbeing

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