

To: Rob Johnston  
From: Teresa Wallace  
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RE: PMO support

This memo is written in support of the Prevention Management Organization of Wyoming and its exceptional efforts to coordinate and deliver consistent statewide programming related to substance abuse prevention, suicide prevention, and overall wellness in Wyoming.

In my position with Casper College Counseling Services, I have worked with the PMO on various projects since 2012, including smoking cessation endeavors and suicide prevention. All individuals associated with this organization have been extremely professional, well-informed, helpful, and dedicated to providing up-to-date and evidence-based prevention resources to communities across our state.

Prior to the establishment of the PMO, cities and towns in Wyoming struggled to develop their own prevention activities, often lacking the cohesiveness, creativity, and financial resources necessary to establish truly meaningful programming. Without adequate oversight and guidance, some prevention efforts became more about strong personalities and wealthy individuals promoting pet projects, rather than thoroughly-researched practices and scholarly discourse. The Prevention Management Organization of Wyoming has brought consistency, fairness, efficiency, and credibility to Wyoming's prevention endeavors.

I have been exceedingly pleased with all dealings I've had with the PMO, and I strongly recommend that this entity be afforded the opportunity to continue its work of delivering outstanding prevention programs throughout the state of Wyoming.