



TERRITORY OF GUAM  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AGAÑA, GUAM 96910  
U. S. A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 93-12

**Relative to the Creation of a Drug and Alcohol Abuse  
Prevention and Treatment Task Force**

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Public Laws 99-660 and 101-639, Title V, of the "State Mental Health Services Act of 1986" and Guam Public Law 17-21, the Guam Mental Health Plan 1989-1992 was developed under the leadership of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and the Guam Mental Health Planning Council; and

**WHEREAS,** the Guam Mental Health Plan identified alcohol and other drug abuse as creating or exacerbating the problems of persons with mental illness; and

**WHEREAS,** the Plan recommended that in order to address the problems of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse, effective prevention and treatment programs must be developed and implemented to identify those at risk; and

**WHEREAS,** the Drug Policy Coordinating Council was created by Executive Order No. 87-20, to be "responsible for the coordination of the Territory's effort against the importation and abuse of controlled narcotic substances, as it pertains to the Narcotic Control Act"; and

**WHEREAS,** as a result of the Second Governor's Conference on Health, the Governor established Thirteen (13) Health Task Forces, one of them being the Task Force on Drugs and Alcohol, to address the Thirteen (13) Territorial Health Goals for the year 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** the Governor delineated the policy framework of the Thirteen (13) Health Task Forces in Circular No. 92-21; and

**WHEREAS,** there is a need to augment and strengthen the existing Governor's Task Force on Drugs and Alcohol.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH F. ADA,** Governor of the Territory of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order the establishment of the Guam Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention and Treatment Task Force to replace the existing Task Force on Drugs and Alcohol and to be comprised of and to function as follows:

1. The Task Force will be composed of professionals and government officials from the public, private, and military sectors, youth and parent organizations. Task Force members shall be individuals who are directly involved in developing, coordinating, and implementing prevention and treatment-related programs. The Governor will select and appoint no more than (3) representatives from each of the following entities:



Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse  
Guam Health Planning & Development Agency  
Department of Public Health & Social Services  
Superior Court of Guam  
Department of Education  
Agency for Human Resources Development  
Department of Youth Affairs  
Guam Community College  
Guam Police Department  
Sanctuary, Inc.  
Dededo Drug Free Organization  
Guam Parent/Teacher Association for Education  
Guam Youth Congress  
University of Guam  
American Cancer Society  
Mayors' Council  
Guam Housing & Urban Renewal Authority  
Governor's Council on Persons with Disabilities  
Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sport

The Governor may also appoint a minimum of five (5) members total from the community-at-large, the clergy, and the military.


2. The Governor shall designate the Chairperson of the Task Force.
3. Each member of the Task Force shall serve for a term of not more than three (3) years.
4. Any vacancies in the membership of the Task Force shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. The vacancy shall not affect the power of the remaining members to execute the duties and responsibilities of the Task Force.
5. The Task Force shall be guided by sections (a), (b), (d), (f), and (g) of Governor's Circular No. 92-21.
6. The Director of the Guam Health Planning & Development Agency, or his/her designated representative shall be responsible for monitoring and overseeing the progress of the Task Force.
7. The creation and subsequent existence of the Task Force by virtue of this Executive Order shall not negate the provisions of Executive Order No. 87-20.
8. The Task Force shall submit to the Governor a record and report of its activities and policy recommendations on May 1st of each year, and provide copies to the Guam Health Planning and Development Agency and the Guam Mental Health Planning Council.
9. Primary duties and responsibilities of the Task Force shall be:
  - To provide guidance in the development, implementation, coordination, and evaluation of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs for the community-at-



large and for specific targeted groups (i.e. children, youth, parents, senior citizens, persons with disabilities);

- To build prevention and treatment coalitions of multiple agencies, organizations, and individuals for Guam;
- To review and submit recommendations to the Governor on prevention and treatment-related program proposals for Guam;
- To inform and educate the community about alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse issues;
- To help identify funding from both the public and private sector that may assist in the development and implementation of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs;
- To develop and assist in the implementation of alternative activities for the youth, as appropriate or necessary, including recreation, building of skills to obtain employment, and career development;
- To develop and recommend the implementation of a Certification/Credentialing Program for personnel involved in the prevention and treatment of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs of abuse.

**SIGNED AND PROMULGATED** at Agana, Guam, this 21st day of September,  
in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-three.

  
**JOSEPH F. ADA**  
Governor of Guam

**COUNTERSIGNED:**

  
**FRANK F. BLAS**  
Lieutenant Governor of Guam