
**Report to
The Vermont Legislature**

**Report of the Vermont Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory Council
2018**

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The Vermont Alcohol and Drug Abuse Advisory Council (“Council”) is submitting this report pursuant to 18 V.S.A. 4803.

Recommendation for Legislative Action

During calendar year 2018, Council members engaged in extensive discussion and consulted with the Agency of Human Services and the Vermont Department of Health about the future structure, membership and functions of the Council.

As a result of this engagement process, the Council supports the Health Department’s proposal to eliminate the Council’s authorizing statute in the upcoming legislative session. In place of the Council, a body will be reconstituted under the Commissioner of Health to advise the Health Department on issues related to substance misuse prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery. The membership of the new body will include a mix of individuals from state agencies, community organizations, and providers to ensure a broad cross-section of subject matter expertise.