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## Press Release

### Holbrook Cares partners with District Attorney Morrissey to prevent impaired driving

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*Holbrook Cares coordinator Pamela Vayda partnered with District Attorney Michael Morrissey (not pictured) to bring master TIPS trainer Michael Marcantonio, at right, to provide safe alcohol server training to Holbrook restaurants last week.*



*District Attorney Morrissey thanked the hospitality workers who attended the safe alcohol server training he held in partnership with Holbrook Cares last week.*

The Holbrook Cares Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition worked with Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey to bring TIPS alcohol server training to town restaurants last week.

"Having bartenders and wait staff with advanced training in recognizing when a customer needs to stop being served alcohol is a key part of preventing impaired driving and the death, injury and property damage that accompany it," said Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey, who sponsored the January 26 training. "Our goal is to keep people safe."

Morrissey has sponsored TIPS alcohol service training in communities across Norfolk County for several years. "Some of our trainings have been larger regional events, at Patriot Place and elsewhere, but we were very pleased to partner with Holbrook Cares and its director, Pamela Vayda, to bring this to Holbrook."

The Training for Intervention Procedures seminar, which results in servers being given certification, was conducted by master TIPS trainer Michael Marcantonio, of DramShoppe Consultants. It was held at the Liberty Public House. Servers from The Golden Pacific and Café Connection After Dark also attended the training.

"We are still losing about one person a week to fatal crashes on the roads of Norfolk County, and many of those events other serious crashes are the result of impaired driving," District Attorney Morrissey said. "Coalitions like Holbrook Cares are an important part of the prevention and intervention network society needs if we are going to combat problems like drunk driving, drug abuse and overdose."