

Collaborating for Healthy Communities Initiative

Evaluation Activities Overview

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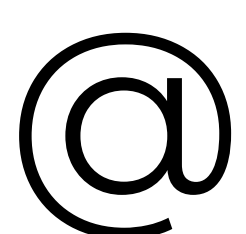


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Overview

Blue Shield of California Foundation (BSCF) and Prevention Institute (PI) are collaborating with Strategic Prevention Solutions (SPS) to evaluate Safety Through Connection and Leveraging Collaboration, two projects of the Collaborating for Healthy Communities Initiative. This evaluation focuses on **high-level learnings** that affect the overall initiative - not an assessment of your local collaborative's impact. This overview outlines the evaluation activities that SPS will facilitate between October 2019 and June 2021.

Why are we doing these activities?

We are gathering information to understand the process of engaging in intimate partner violence (IPV) prevention as a collaborative; specifically, this project's "within and beyond" approach. We are particularly interested in the factors that encourage and support change across multiple, diverse systems working together to collaboratively prevent IPV.

How will the information be shared?

We will share the findings from our evaluation activities with collaboratives, TA providers, and funders via written and visual media (like reports, infographics, or videos). We will prepare feedback memos that collaboratives can use to improve their process and functioning and better understand the potential of this approach to prevent IPV in communities.

Quarterly Site Check-Ins



What will happen?

SPS will collaborate with BSCF and grantees to identify outcomes shared between the different sites, as well as site-specific outcomes. About once every three months, we will ask grantees to complete a brief check-in survey about:

- Progress on those outcomes
- What has been going well
- What has been challenging

What will we need from you?

We will ask that grantee collaborative leads and core partners complete the check-ins on paper or electronically. SPS will ensure the check-ins are a minimal burden on grantees' time and resources.

Existing Records Review



What will happen?

SPS will review information that has already been prepared and collected. This includes things that illustrate grantee collaboratives' progress, successes, and challenges, like:

- Progress reports to BSCF and PI
- Program documents, notes, and other documentation

What will we need from you?

About once every three months, we will ask you to send us electronic copies (if possible) of documents that support and illustrate the important work that you are doing.

Individual & Group Interviews



What will happen?

Near the mid- and endpoints of the evaluation project, SPS will ask grantee collaborative leads and core partners to schedule a time to meet with SPS staff for more in-depth discussion about the project.

What will we need from you?

When it is time to schedule the interviews, we anticipate needing about 1-2 hours with each individual / group. We will provide grantees with an opportunity to review our interpretation of the information and the themes present in it.

Surveys



What will happen?

SPS will ask grantees to complete surveys prepared for this project. Surveys will include questions that help answer evaluation questions related to:

- Perceptions of collaborative functioning
- Collaborative synergy
- Experiences participating in the collaborative

What will we need from you?

During fall 2019 and 2020, we will ask grantee collaborative leads and core partners to complete the surveys on paper or electronically.

Digital Storytelling



What will happen?

During the last six months of the project, SPS will facilitate a digital storytelling project to document the lessons learned within and between sites / cohorts as they have participated in the Collaborating for Healthy Communities initiative.

What will we need from you?

While this activity will emphasize the story of the project in its entirety, as we identify specific lessons and overall themes, SPS will reach out to sites that exemplify a certain lesson or theme. These sites will be given an opportunity to share more in depth about their work as it relates to that lesson or theme.

**THANK
YOU**

Thanks in advance for your help in telling the story of your innovative collaborative work to prevent intimate partner violence.

If you have any questions about the evaluation, please reach out to us any time!

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