Collaborating for Healthy Communities Initiative
Evaluation Activities Update
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Meet the Team

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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. This overview outlines the evaluation activities that SPS will facilitate between October 2020 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 with collaboratives, TA providers, and funders via written and visual media (like reports and infographics). Collaboratives will get feedback memos they can use to improve their process and functioning.

Thank you!

Thanks for your help in telling the story of your innovative collaborative work to prevent IPV. If you have any questions about the evaluation, please reach out to us any time!
Quarterly Outcomes Questionnaires

SPS will collaborate with BSCF and grantees to identify outcomes shared between the different sites, as well as site-specific outcomes. Quarterly, SPS will ask grantees to complete an outcomes questionnaire about progress on the outcomes they identified with SPS staff.

Surveys

In Fall 2019 and Fall 2020, SPS will ask grantee collaborative leads and core partners to complete a survey prepared for this project. The survey will include questions that help answer evaluation questions related to:
- Perceptions of collaborative functioning
- Collaborative synergy
- Experiences participating in the collaborative

Focus Groups

In Winter 2021, SPS will ask grantee collaborative leads and core partners to schedule 2 hours to meet with SPS staff for a more in-depth discussion about the project. We will provide grantees with an opportunity to review our interpretation of the information and the themes present in it.

Existing Records Review

SPS will review information that has already being 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

Highlight Videos

SPS will develop highlight videos to document the lessons learned within and between sites / cohorts in this initiative. While this activity will emphasize the story of the project in its entirety, SPS will reach out to sites that exemplify a certain lesson or theme to share more in depth about their work around that theme.