

PreventionWorkKS

PreventionWorkKS seeks Steering Committee members who will work in conjunction with the Wichita State University's Community Engagement Institute and KDADS to guide the development of this "coalition of coalitions."

Q: Who will make up the Steering Committee?

A: Members will represent their local community prevention efforts. Initially there will be seven members along with two ex-officio members representing WSU's Community Engagement Institute and KDADS.

Q: Who will choose the members?

A: The PreventionWorkKS Design Team members will make a decision that optimizes diversity and strengths.

Q: What is the role of the Steering Committee?

A: At this time, we anticipate that the PreventionWorkKS Steering Committee will:

- a. Keep PreventionWorkKS coalition members engaged
- b. Consult with facilitators on agenda planning
- c. Ensure the right people are involved (right people at the table)
- d. Maintain fidelity to the 5 Purposes of PreventionWorkKS:
 1. **Connections:** Supportive mentoring and collaboration
 2. **Voice:** PreventionWorkKS will offer a place for a shared voice and access to key change agents
 3. **Synergy:** The synergistic opportunities of statewide projects, pooling of resources, unifying voice and collaborative impact that will leverage other opportunities
 4. **Empowerment:** Opportunities with strength in numbers, elevating successes, and sharing statewide and local data
 5. **Integration:** Integration of approaches related to behavioral health promotion and prevention across the continuum of care

Q: Will the Steering Committee need to "run" the PreventionWorkKS meetings?

A: No. Facilitators from WSU's Community Engagement Institute will make sure everything runs smoothly. The Steering Committee will advise WSU about meeting logistics but will not be responsible for reservations, invitations, etc. WSU will facilitate all meetings.

Q: What is the relationship between PreventionWorkKS and the Kansas Prevention Collaborative?

A: The PreventionWorkKS coalition is one of many ways that the Kansas Prevention Collaborative will support prevention efforts in communities across Kansas. The meetings are convened by the Kansas Prevention Collaborative and shall be driven by the same priorities. Event attendance alone will neither assist nor obstruct the state grant application process.

Q: Are there term limits?

A: Members will serve for two-year terms. In order to facilitate rotating membership, some will join the team mid-term and may serve for only one year.

Q: How often and where will the Committee meet?

A: The first meeting will take place face-to-face in Wichita. The Committee will decide how and where to conduct future meetings. The committee must meet at least once for each PreventionWorkKS meeting and the number of coalition meetings will be decided by the Steering Committee.

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Steering Committee Application

Name _____

Name of Coalition _____

Role in your Coalition _____

Email _____

Phone _____

We seek balance in the following attributes.

Please choose which describes you/your coalition best:

COMMUNITY SIZE

- Urban
- Suburban
- Rural
- Frontier

COALITION PHASE

- Established/Funded
- Growing/Some funding
- Initial stage/Forming

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE

- Suicide Prevention
- Substance Abuse Prevention
- Problem Gambling Prevention
- Other _____

GEOGRAPHIC AREA

- Northwest
- Southwest
- North Central
- South Central
- Northeast
- Southeast

The first meeting of the Steering Committee will take place in February.

Please check all dates when you are ABLE to be in Wichita for an initial meeting:

- Friday, March 11 from 10:00 to 2:00
- Monday, March 21 from 10:00 to 2:00
- Monday, March 28 from 10:00 to 2:00
- Wednesday, March 30 from 10:00 to 2:00

Comments regarding the perspective you could bring to the Steering Committee if chosen:
