

Partners in Prevention

Indiana's Prevention Strategic Plan

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Mission: To reduce substance misuse and promote behavioral health across the lifespan of Indiana citizens by maintaining a coordinated, effective, and accountable system of prevention and behavioral health promotion services.

Vision: Sustainable environments that nurture, assist, and empower all Indiana citizens to access and experience optimum physical, emotional, and mental health.

Strategic Plan Foundations

- Historical efforts
- Qualitative guidance
- Quantitative data



Strategic Plan

Establish, implement, and fund **concrete, measurable, and impactful** substance misuse prevention initiatives.

- Workforce Development
- Program Enhancement
- Protocol Enhancement
- Operational Efficiency

Workforce Development

- Enhance prevention workforce capacities
 - Higher education
 - Prevention Specialist certification course



Program Enhancement

- Sustain, enhance, and streamline existing prevention programs
 - Fund community prevention, streamline processes
 - Fund college campus prevention
- Technical assistance and evaluation services
 - Support best practice in community and campus programs
 - Grant writing assistance in 2025



Program Enhancement



Program Enhancement

- Apply for additional federal funding to support and expand prevention
- Monitor tobacco retail compliance for underage sale
 - Retailer training and education
 - Training and TA to communities for local policy change strategies

Program Enhancement

- Partner with the Office of the Governor to implement special prevention projects
- Support statewide youth substance misuse prevention initiatives
 - Indiana Students Against Destructive Decisions
 - <https://www.indianateeninstitute.org/indiana-sadd>

Protocol Enhancement

- Establish statewide prevention standards and guidelines
 - Schools and universities
 - Evidence-based prevention program guide and registry



Protocol Enhancement

- Enhance statewide data collection and data communication
 - Indiana Youth Survey, Indiana College Substance Use Survey
 - Map statewide community and school-based prevention services
 - Evaluate and refine the State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup



Operational Efficiency

- Evaluate, streamline and enhance internal processes
- Maintain interagency and community feedback loops



Interagency Prevention Initiatives

- School-based prevention team
 - Regional school-based prevention
 - Project AWARE
- Harm Reduction Street Outreach



Thank you!

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