

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Strategic Prevention Framework

SPF Step	Key Milestones	Key Products
Step 1: Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Formation of an Epidemiological Workgroup ▪ Collaboration with advisory groups (SPF SIG Advisory Council) ▪ Collection of epidemiological data ▪ Analysis of epidemiological data ▪ Development of problem statements ▪ Identification of potential geographic target areas and populations ▪ Assessment of readiness, external factors, and potential barriers to success ▪ Assessment of organizational, fiscal, and leadership capacity ▪ Assessment of cultural competence ▪ Analysis of service gaps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Epidemiological Workgroup Report with quarterly updates ▪ Clear, concise, and data-driven, problem statement(s) ▪ Data sources for ongoing assessment ▪ Gap analysis and community program, resource, and service baseline inventory
Step 2: Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Creation and continuation of partnerships ▪ Introduction of training and education to promote readiness, cultural competence, leadership, and evaluation capacity ▪ Meetings and workshops with key stakeholders, coalitions, and service providers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity Report with quarterly updates ▪ Directory of key stakeholders, leaders, and service providers ▪ Partnership agreements/memorandums
Step 3: Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Planning meetings and strategy development sessions ▪ Strategic Goals, Objectives, and Performance Targets ▪ Logic Model development ▪ Draft Strategic Plan ▪ Selection of policies, programs, and practices ▪ Preliminary Action Plan Development ▪ Creation of evaluation plan and identification measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Comprehensive Strategic Plan ▪ Logic Models ▪ Preliminary Action Plans ▪ Performance Outcomes ▪ Evaluation plan and performance measures
Step 4: Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implementation of Strategic Plan ▪ Full Action Plan development ▪ Acquisition of relevant materials for implementing policies, programs, and practices ▪ Consultation and collaboration with an evaluation team ▪ Development of an Evaluation Plan ▪ Implementation of an Evaluation Plan ▪ Collection of process data and additional pre-implementation data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Action Plans ▪ Identified effective policies, programs, and practices ▪ Evaluation Plan
Step 5: Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consultation and collaboration with evaluation team ▪ Process Evaluation ▪ Collection of required data ▪ Review of effectiveness of policies, programs, and practices ▪ Development of recommendations for quality improvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evaluation Report and updates ▪ Recommendations for quality improvement

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