

IDENTIFYING YOUR COMMUNITY COLLABORATORS

Creating a comprehensive strategic plan is dependent upon obtaining input from a variety of interested community members.

Children's mental health issues impact almost everyone in some way. With your Leadership Team, brainstorm potential collaborators in your community. Think about the contacts each of you have or could make.

Consider inviting potential collaborators from wide-ranging constituencies, including:

- Advocates for children, families, juvenile justice, criminal justice
- After-school activity providers (Boys and Girls Club, Scouts, etc.)
- Banks
- Child care providers
- Companies
- Educators
- Faith-based organizations
- Family members
- Foundations
- Industries
- Insurance providers
- Insurance/Medicaid representatives
- Judiciary, including justices of the peace
- Juvenile justice service providers
- Non-profit organizations/community-based organizations
- Primary health care providers
- Pediatricians
- Recovery service providers/resources
- Small business owners
- Social service providers
- Substance use treatment providers
- Universities and colleges
- Young people