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## **Communications 101**

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# Agenda

- New Communications Form
- Steps to Develop a Strategic Communications Plan
- Breakout Session

#### Implementation Applicants Only

For communities with coalitions(s) meeting in-person, there is a PDF version of the Coalition Form. Alternately, the fillable version can be transmitted to members digitally or uploaded to a shared document service such as DropBox or Google Drive.

Coalition Form PDF Version SFY2023

Coalition Form Fillable Version SFY2023

CDRR Budget and Salary Worksheet New SFY2023 ~NEW~

This spreadsheet contains two worksheets that provide a space to collect information prior to inputting your agency's budget into KGMS. The Budget Worksheet is optional and only the Salary Worksheet is mandatory to be uploaded to KGMS.

Strategic Communications Plan SFY2023 Form ~NEW~

Implementation applicants will be required to complete the Strategic Communications Plan Form which outlines the applicant's communication during the 2022-2023 year.

Implementation CDRR SFY2023 Scoring Guidance



### Strategic Communications Plan Form

#### Instructions:

- Complete the table using the prompts within each column and the example plan as a guide.
- You must complete a full Strategic Communications Plan (1 row) for each individual work plan you have selected.
  - Example: You have selected Prevention 2, Cessation 1 and Nutrition 2 as your work plans. You would then fill out one complete row for Prevention 2, one complete row for Cessation 1 and one complete row for Nutrition 2.
- Once completed, upload this form into Kansas Grant Management System.
- The communications budget requested in this form along with the descriptions of each item must also be included in the Kansas Grant Management System Budget Form.
- If you have questions as you complete this form, please reach out to your Community Health Specialist.

Work Plan List the work plan that your communications strategy applies to.	<b>Communications Goal</b> What is the primary goai(s) of the communications strategy?	Priority Population What is the priority population you're trying to reach? Consider both geographically and demographically (age, gender, interests, etc.).	Messaging What information are your trying to relay? What is the tone the messaging? Consider what will best resonate with your target audience.	Channels What is the best way to reach the priority population you described? Where do they get their information? (i.e. social media, news, radio, flyers, etc.)	Budget What is the amount you have to spend? What can you include in your plan that is paid? What can you include that is not paid?	<b>Timeline</b> What is the timeline for your project? Consider if there is a certain time of year your messaging might be timelier.
EXAMPLE: Cessation 1	Increase awareness of and enrollments in the Quitline behavioral health program.	<ul> <li>Tobacco users with a behavioral health condition</li> <li>Ages 18-35</li> <li>List County or Specific City</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Refer users directly to the Quitline</li> <li>Information about the free NRT benefit of the behavioral health program</li> <li>Messaging will not shame users, but encourage them to start their quit journey</li> </ul>	Social Media Ads Description: 1 boosted post each week for 5 weeks promoting Quitline	\$500	September - October. 2022
				Radio Ads Description: 4 weeks of ads to promote the Quitline for the New Year	\$1,000	January 2023
				Billboard Ads Description: 6 weeks of electronic billboards promoting Quitline behavioral health program	\$2,000	March - April 2023
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# 1) Develop a Communications Goal

What is the primary goal(s) of the communications strategy?

- Is there a problem you are trying to address?
- Are you wanting to increase awareness of something?
- Do you want to educate the public on an issue or opportunity?
- Is there a service you are trying to promote?





### Work Plan

List the work plan that your communications strategy applies to.

### **Communications Goal** What is the primary goal(s) of the communications strategy?

### EXAMPLE: Cessation 1

Increase awareness of and enrollments in the Quitline behavioral health program.





# 2) Identify a Priority Population

# What is the priority population you are trying to reach?

- Consider both geographically and demographically (age, gender, interests, etc.).
- Consider who is at higher risk according to the data in your location.
- The audience will likely be different for each campaign.
- Concentrating on one or two audiences helps focus the rest of the planning decisions.

Include representatives from the intended audience in the campaign's development.

**Priority Population** What is the priority population you're trying to reach? Consider both geographically and demographically (age, gender, interests, etc.).

- Tobacco users with a behavioral health condition
- Ages 18-35
- List County or Specific
   City

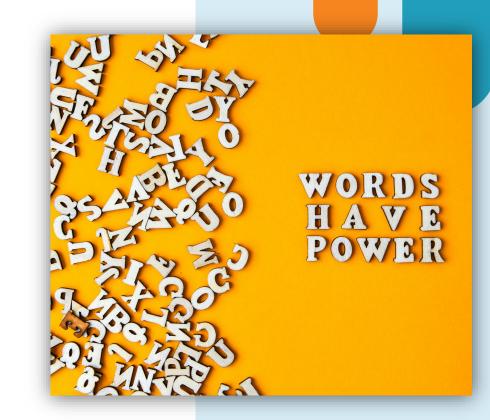
# 3) Develop the Messaging

# What information are you trying to relay?

- Is there a website you want the population to visit or a service you want them to sign up for?
- What do you want them to know?

## What is the tone of the messaging?

- Consider what will best resonate with your audience.
- Use culturally competent language and images.
- Personal stories are a great messaging resource.
- Make them feel understood.
- Consider their knowledge, beliefs and attitudes on the subject.





### Messaging

What information are your trying to relay? What is the tone the messaging? Consider what will best resonate with your target audience.

- Refer users directly to the Quitline
- Information about the free NRT benefit of the behavioral health program
- Messaging will not shame users, but encourage them to start their quit journey

## Resources

- CDRR Quarterly Social Media Packages (in Teams!)
- <u>CDC's Media Campaign Resource Center</u>
- <u>Kansas Tobacco Quitline: Tobacco and You</u>
- National LGBT Cancer Network: Quitting as an Act of Self-Love
- <u>Thirdhand Smoke Resource Center</u>
- <u>State and Community Health Media Center</u>
- <u>Multimedia Tools, Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and</u> <u>Obesity</u>
- <u>Multimedia CDC Healthy Schools</u>
- <u>Spread the Word, Active People Healthy Nation</u>
- <u>Resources, MyPlate</u>







# 4) Choose the Channels

What is the best way to reach the priority population you described?

• Place messages where and when the audience is most receptive.

## Where do they get their information?

• Ask representatives of the priority population where they and their peers usually get their information. What is the best way to reach them?

# **Communication Channels**

### Paid:

- Social Media Ads
- Radio
- Billboards
- TV
- Bus Ads
- Newspaper Ads
- Magazine Ads
- Direct Mailers
- Photography
- Videography
- Print Materials (i.e. brochures, flyers, etc.)

### Not Paid:

- Social Media
- Press Releases
- Radio/News Interviews
- Your Website
- Email Marketing
- Direct Outreach to Partners
- Booths at Community Events

# 5) Create a Budget

### What is the amount you have to spend?

- Consider Communications as a priority throughout the year, not just something that you are only able to do if you have extra money at the end of the year to spend down.
- You do not need a large Communications Budget to have an impact!

# What can you include in your plan that is paid or not paid?

Communication Channels, Channel Descriptions & Budget must be included in the overall Budget Form.





### Channels

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### Budget

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the community	
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media posts throughout the year	
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# 6) Put Together a Timeline

## What is the timeline for your project?

- Consider if there is a certain time of year your messaging might be timelier.
- Do you have any events during the year that you could use to spread your message?

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# 7) Evaluate

### How did your Strategic Communications Plan perform?

- Overall successful or unsuccessful?
- Did you achieve your goal?
- How many people were you able to reach?
- What could be improved in your next round of communications?







# **Breakout Session**

### Goal

Work with your group to develop a full Strategic Communications Plan for one work plan of your choice that you all have in common.

### 20 Minutes

### <u>Roles</u>

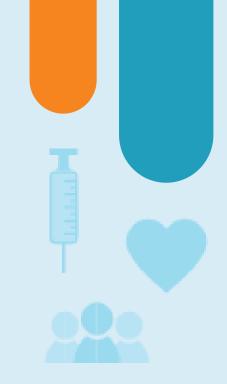
Timekeeper: Keeps tabs on time and announces a 5-minute warning.

Leader: Keeps things moving on track and will be the spokesperson for your group when our breakout rooms are completed.

Writer: Downloads the Strategic Communications Plan Form. Writes notes for each column in the table. Submits form in the Zoom Chat when we come back as a large group.

Questions?





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