Prevention Center of Excellence Advisory Committee

Description of Project:
Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital Prevention Services and Umbrella, Inc. are working in consortium as the recipients of a Vermont Department of Health Prevention Center of Excellence grant (1 year) for innovative infrastructure development and programs to reduce substance misuse through evidenced based and promising primary and secondary prevention strategies. This grant will also build substance use primary and secondary prevention capacity and infrastructure at the community and regional levels. $200,000 will be sub-granted to local organizations to increase infrastructure to reduce the onset and prevalence of substance misuse. In addition, grant directives include; substance misuse prevention workforce development, outreach to youth and young adults and other subpopulations, delivery of training and technical assistance and prevention advocacy region wide. Through innovation and creativity, we want to redesign/reframe the delivery of prevention practices/strategies at the local and regional levels. Our goal is to create a new approach to prevention that better aligns with the meaning and vision of addressing social determinants to improve population health.

Description of Advisory Committee:
- Will bring unique knowledge and skills and multi sector input to the Prevention Center of Excellence Grant Project. Membership is by invitation only.
- Will number between to 6 -10 including the Project Managers; Cheryl Chandler and Amanda Cochrane.
- Will meet monthly with conference calls/on line platform through September 2021. Work may require service on ad hoc committees.
- A one-year term of service is required.

Responsibilities:
- Approve and provide feedback for a logic model and strategic plan.
- Stay updated on program and fiscal progress of grant and grantees.
- Provide input for sub contracts.
- Serve as an advocate for the project and subrecipient projects.
- Serve as a liaison to and from relevant constituencies.
- Provide feedback to the organization as a community member.
- Provide technical assistance.
- Serve in a community relations role.
- Provide program staff with fresh perspectives on program issues.
- Provide contractual budget oversight.

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