Advocating for continuous improvement in health and health care

Vision Areas

Older Adults
Young Children Impacted by Poverty
Community Health Capacity

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Benefits of Collaborating with National Initiatives

- Leveraging financial support
- Tapping into national expertise and talent
- Establishing relationships beyond region
- Adopting proven models – shovel ready
- Building on credibility
Challenges of Collaborating with National Initiatives

- Being overpowered, not having a voice in implementation
- Difficulty implementing an inflexible model into a new culture
- No buy-in from local stakeholders
- Lack of local expertise
- Inability to sustain the initiative
Regional Foundations

Can Offer:

• Cultural Competency – knowledge of the culture of the communities
• Knowledge of Local/Regional resources (CBOs, Providers)
• Identify the Local Leaders and Champions
• Established Relationships with Key Stakeholders
• Partnerships with Local Foundations

Can Do:

• Convene Meetings
• Support Travel
• Disseminate Information and Raise Awareness
• Provide Planning Grants
• Provide Incentive and/or Matching Grants
• Fund Pilot Sites
• Fund Regional Initiatives
• Support Evaluations
Relevant Current Initiatives

• WNY Integrated Care Collaborative  
  (Aging and Disability Institute/n4a)
• National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment Pilot Site
• Healthy Age-Friendly Communities
• Two Federally Qualified Health Center Independent Practice Associations