



## **Ohio Youth-Led Prevention Evaluation Advisory Committee Charter**

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Established as an evaluation development initiative centering the lived experience of OAA and others who have extensive professional experience working with youth, the committee will use a community-centered, participatory empowerment approach to guide the development of an evaluation tool for OAA to use within the field to evaluate the impact of Ohio's Youth-Led Prevention programs. The advisory committee is a critical element in addressing equitable representation of the field of adults working professionally with Youth-Led initiatives, providing an opportunity to develop prevention knowledge and leadership skills through an empowerment approach.

### **Ohio Youth-Led Prevention Program Information:**

The OAA Initiative is a diverse network of adults who are committed to facilitating and advancing the work of youth-led programs to create community-level change and build healthier communities. Specific to Ohio's Youth-Led Prevention initiatives, OAA allow youth to lead the process of determining a problem of practice by examining state and local data, identifying the root causes of their problem of practice, and selecting and implementing evidence-based strategies to address those root causes.

### **Advisory Committee Objectives:**

- Assess and summarize relevant activities and outcomes of OAA and Youth-Led initiatives to date and since 2019 when the last evaluation report was completed.
- Develop a new evaluation tool to be used in the field by OAA to evaluate the impact of Youth-Led Prevention efforts to include measures of youth engagement, adult ally knowledge and competence, and prevention outcomes.
- Advise on evaluation data collection protocols and tool dissemination and feedback.
- Finalize Ohio Youth-Led program evaluation plans and objectives specific to the planning process .

**Governance:** The committee will be governed by the following principles:

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- **Transparency:** All decisions and actions will be transparent and accountable to the community.
- **Collaboration:** Members will work collaboratively and respectfully with each other and external partners.
- **Equity:** Efforts will be inclusive and responsive to the needs of diverse populations, including underserved communities.
- **Continuous Improvement:** The committee will continuously assess and improve its strategies based on feedback and data.

**Membership:** Membership is open to individuals and organizations who are committed to the goals outlined in this charter. Members will serve a volunteer term through June 30, 2025, and may be reappointed for additional terms. The committee will strive to ensure diversity in representation regarding perspectives, backgrounds, experiences, and geographic location. Committee meetings will operate on an ongoing basis, with regular meetings and activities scheduled throughout the year. If the identified committee member is unable to attend a meeting, an organizational proxy may attend on their behalf. Organizations participating in the committee will be acknowledged on the Center’s website.

**Communication:** Regular communication will be essential for the success of the committee. The committee will meet virtually, and members will communicate via email and video conferencing. Updates on progress, challenges, and opportunities will be shared with the Center’s Organizational Partners at monthly partner meetings, and the Center will disseminate information to stakeholders through newsletters, reports, and other communication platforms.

**Acknowledgment:**

I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the terms outlined in this Project Charter, and any other policies or procedures agreed upon by the committee as it pertains to the projects.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_