

## Coalition Sustainability Breakout Session 2016 Safe Communities America Network Meeting

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**Scenario:** Prescription drug overdose and abuse are increasing rapidly in your community resulting in many preventable deaths and injuries. You are tasked with forming a coalition to address this growing problem with a particular focus on preventing prescription drug-related deaths and injuries *before they occur*. Your primary goal is to bring together coalition participants from multiple sectors to develop a community action plan.

- 1) Thinking about the range of activities/strategies that might be included in the action plan, list six to eight groups that could participate in the coalition. Select four groups among those listed.
  
- 2) Why would each of the selected groups want to participate in the coalition?
  
- 3) What are the unique contributions of each group?
  - a. What are they already doing?
  
  - b. What more might each group be able to do?
  
- 4) How does each group benefit from participating in the coalition? What are the win-win opportunities?
  - a. What are some key strategies to achieve these win-win opportunities?

- 5) What are particular strengths and gaps of the coalition?
  - a. How can the coalition utilize each partner's strengths?
  
- 6) How can groups broaden and maximize impact?
  
- 7) What are the greatest areas of synergy among groups?
  - a. What activities/strategies could groups jointly work together on?
  
  - b. What activities/strategies could groups play a supportive role?
  
- 8) Are there obvious lead groups for certain elements of a strategy or strategies?
  
- 9) Given the potential strategy/strategies the coalition may incorporate into the community action plan, are there other key groups that should be engaged? If so, who?