

Partnership Readiness Questionnaire

Answer each of the questions below twice.
First from your perspective, then from your organization's perspective.

| Question | Yes | No | Don't Know |
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| 1. Are you genuinely interested in and committed to the community? | | | |
| 2. Why do you want to form a community partnership? <i>(check one or more)</i> | | | |
| a. Need community partners to meet funding requirements. | | | |
| b. Need to recruit individuals from underserved populations for a study. | | | |
| c. Need credibility that may come from partnering with others. | | | |
| d. Need resources that come with partnerships. | | | |
| e. Other: _____ | | | |
| 3. Does your mission, culture and priorities encourage, support and recognize the value of partnerships? | | | |
| 4. Do you have a previous history of working with the community? | | | |
| a. Is this history a positive one? | | | |
| 5. Do you have any knowledge about the community (for example, culture, norms, politics, socio-demographic characteristics)? | | | |
| 6. Do you have existing relationships with the community? | | | |
| a. Are these relationships positive? | | | |
| 7. Do you have the time needed to engage the community and form the partnership? | | | |
| 8. Do you have the necessary skills to begin and sustain a partnership? <i>(check one or more)</i> | | | |
| a. <i>Communication.</i> Ability to provide and receive feedback. Strong listening skills. Ability to be a clear and effective verbal and nonverbal communicator. | | | |
| b. <i>Cultural competence</i> or cultural humility. | | | |
| c. <i>Ability to share power and control over decisions.</i> | | | |
| d. <i>Group facilitation and interpersonal skills.</i> | | | |
| 9. Can you contribute any of the following to the partnership? | | | |
| a. Staff and/or volunteers | | | |
| b. In-kind resources (e.g. meeting space, technology, dissemination network) | | | |
| c. Connections to key community leaders and resources | | | |
| d. Knowledge of the issues/topics to be addressed | | | |
| e. Training and technical assistance | | | |
| f. Other (e.g. financial resources) _____ | | | |
| 10. What are the potential benefits of a community partnership for your organization and/or project? | | | |
| 11. What are the benefits of the partnership to the community? | | | |