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|  |  **Faith Sector Checklist** |
|  | **Faith Sector Activities to Advance Prevention Efforts** |
| **Build Capacity**  | * Identify members of the congregation to develop and implement substance and prevention programs.
* Connect and collaborate with local prevention councils or coalitions in planning programs.
* Engage in a prevention assessment by leadership and congregation members. Use results to identify areas for improvement.
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| **Participating in Environmental Strategies** | * Adopt policies or position statement on substance misuse/abuse for the congregation.
* Sponsor and participate in community prevention events.
* Donate time or services to support the development and implementation of local strategic plans.
* Establish clear prevention policies.
* Establish procedures for when a member of the congregation or clergy seeks out assistance for a personal or family substance related issue.
* Provide activities for adults and youth that are substance free, particularly in the summer months and during holidays.
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| **Supporting Coalition Prevention Efforts** | * Encourage congregation members to serve on boards or be members of community-based prevention organizations.
* Participate in collaboration efforts on substance misuse.
* Provide space for prevention events or meetings.
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| **Network Collaboration** | * Inform Faith networks of your collaboration with local coalitions and encourage their membership and sharing of messages and events.
* Provide local resources for treatment and recovery.
* The congregation offers a support structure for a member returning from therapy or treatment.
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| **Promoting Community Education** | * Sponsor a community prevention day by hosting speakers and community guests.
* Establish prevention supportive zones in your congregation to build awareness about these issues.
* Support community social norms campaigns.
* Integrate prevention messages and information into your sermons, communion education programs, and youth groups.
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| **Strengthening Individual Knowledge and Skills** | * Provide training or education to congregation members of different ages on substance misuse/abuse.
* Provide prevention and diversity trainings to clergy.
* Clergy participate in continuing education and training in substance abuse prevention and recovery programs.
* Narcan, QPR, Mental Health First Aid and other trainings for Faith programs
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