

Strategic Prevention Framework

Guiding Principles for Substance Use Prevention



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What is the SPF?

Developed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (**SAMHSA**), it is a comprehensive approach to understanding and addressing substance use and related behavioral health problems facing our state and community.

It differs from other processes because it is **circular** (allowing the return to previous steps), **data driven** and relies on a **team approach**.



The SPF includes these five steps:

1. **Assessment:** Identify local prevention needs based on data (e.g., What is the problem?)
2. **Capacity:** Build local resources and readiness to address prevention needs (e.g., What do you have to work with?)
3. **Planning:** Find out what works to address prevention needs and how to do it well (e.g., What should you do and how should you do it?)
4. **Implementation:** Deliver evidence-based programs and practices as intended (e.g., How can you put your plan into action?)
5. **Evaluation:** Examine the process and outcomes of programs and practices (e.g., Is your plan succeeding?)

The SPF is also guided by two principles that should be integrated into each of the steps that comprise it:

- Cultural competence. The ability of an individual or organization to understand and interact effectively with people who have different values, lifestyles, and traditions based on their distinctive heritage and social relationships.
- Sustainability. The process of building an adaptive and effective system that achieves and maintains desired long-term results.

STEP 1: Assessment

- Define and describe the community
- Collect needs and resource data
- Conduct a problem analysis for each identified substance
- Create a Logic Model
- Keep assessment updated



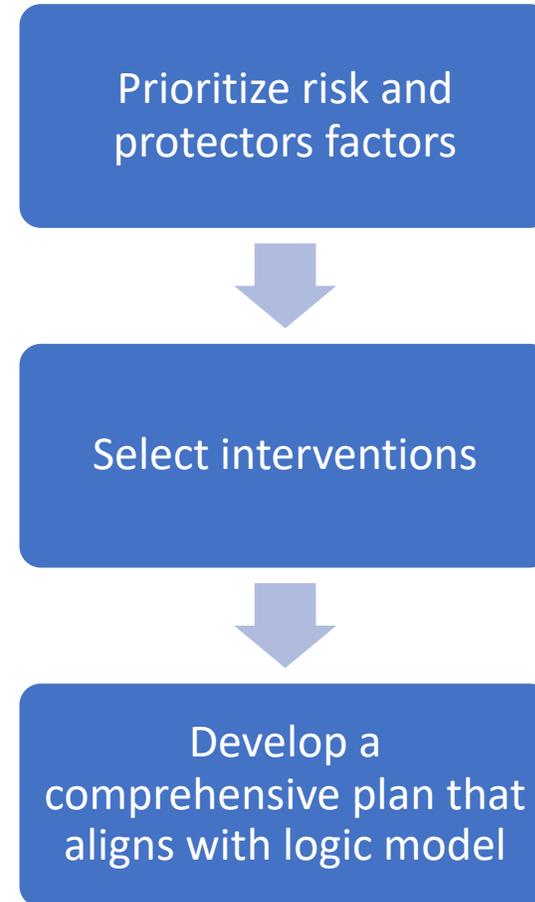
Step 2: Capacity

- Coalition Membership
- Organizational Structure
- Leadership
- Training for Coalition members



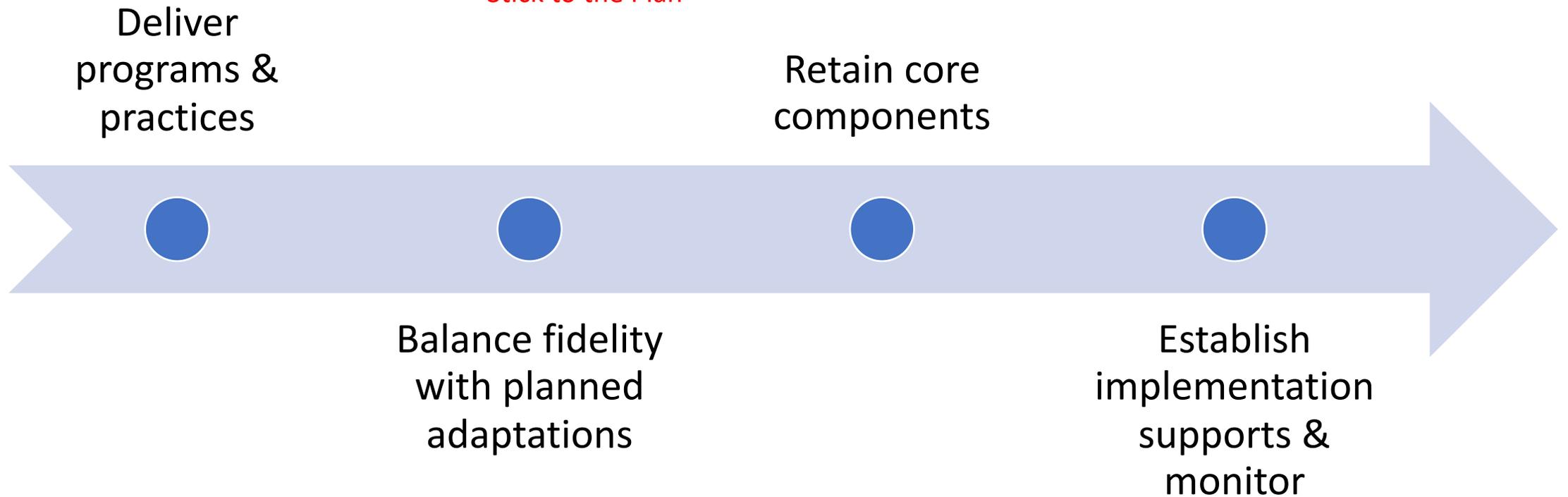
Step 3: Planning

- Vision Statement
- Mission Statement
- Objectives
- Strategies
- Action Plans



Step 4: Implementation

- Prioritize strategies and action plans
- Obtain resources
- Carry out the action plan
- Stick to the Plan



Step 5: Evaluation

- Confirm data
- Document the coalition's work
- Tell a story
- Develop a data collection workplan



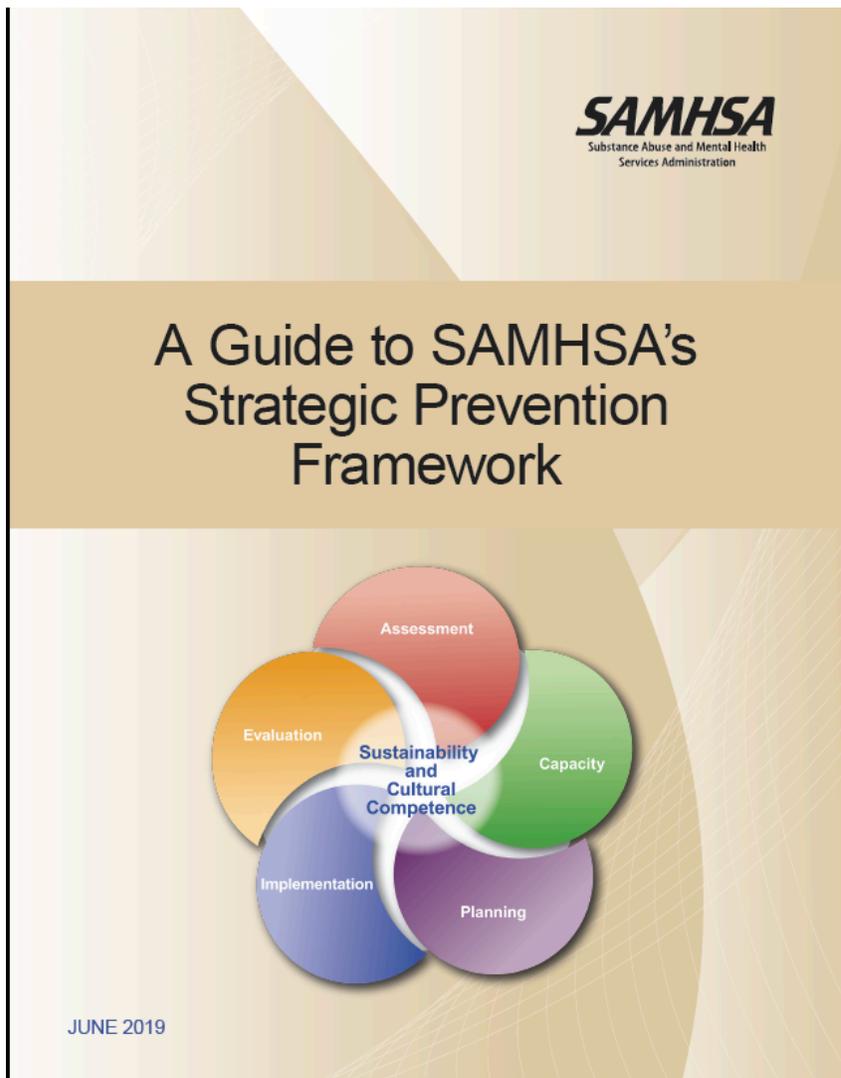
- Conduct process evaluation

- Conduct outcome evaluation

- Recommend improvements & make mid-course corrections

- Share and report evaluation results

SAMHSA Resource



TO LEARN MORE:

<https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/20190620-samhsa-strategic-prevention-framework-guide.pdf>

CADCA Resources



Questions?

