

2021 PA Coalition Prevention Initiative of the Year Application

The Annual PA Coalition Prevention Initiative of the Year (CPIY) Award is offered by the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) and the Prevention Coalition Advisory Council of PA (PCAC) and is coordinated by EPIS at Penn State University. PCAC operates as a subcommittee of the Commonwealth Prevention Alliance (CPA).

Award goal

The goal of this award is to recognize successful community coalitions that have utilized an innovative and creative primary prevention initiative/strategy to achieve strong community-level outcomes related to increasing positive youth behaviors by addressing the underlying causes. The program, practice, or environmental strategy must be part of a risk and protection focused, data-driven, decision-making process that prioritizes goals, strategies and desired outcomes.

Did your coalition implement an innovative and successful program, practice, or environmental strategy over the past year that contributed to community change?

Eligible coalitions

Any Pennsylvania coalition that implemented an innovative and creative primary prevention initiative/strategy by utilizing data-driven strategic planning that leads to improving outcomes for youth and families. Primary prevention is focused on strategies that are implemented BEFORE problem behaviors occur and address behaviors and their root causes such as:

- Substance Abuse
- School Drop Out
- Violence
- Delinquency
- Teen Pregnancy
- Depression & Anxiety

Is your coalition focused on improving outcomes for youth and families through prevention efforts aimed at preventing any of the behaviors listed above?

To be considered for the award, a coalition must:

- Utilize the PA Youth Survey (PAYS) and other local assessment data to drive decision making and focus on risk and protective factors and/or root causes of local issues.
- Be in the process of developing/updating/implementing a comprehensive prevention plan based on local data collection efforts that utilizes evidence-based strategies including: programs, practices, and/or environmental approaches that lead to systems change

Does your coalition utilize a risk and/or protective factor-focused, data-driven decision-making process that is grounded in PAYS and includes development of a comprehensive prevention plan?

If you answered **YES!** to these questions, have your coalition recognized for its outstanding efforts!

Apply today!

The winning coalition will receive:

- One complimentary registration to attend the 2021 Virtual CPA Conference, consisting of the Pre-Conference Deep Dives on May 19, 26 & June 2, 9; and, the Full Conference Main Event, from June 15-17.
- A CPA membership for one year (January – December 2022), valued at \$50.00
- Award presentation and recognition, at the 2021 CPA Virtual Conference
- Recognition on the CPA website and social media outlets
- A press release announcement will be sent to the local media outlets

Application & Review Information

- **April 23, 2021 – Applications Due**
 - Application PowerPoint presentations should be submitted to EPISCenter@psu.edu
 - Presentation applications will be reviewed, the top 3 finalists determined, and the award winner recommendation will be made by the PCAC members
 - If a PCAC member’s coalition applies for the award that member will recuse themselves from the review and award recommendation process
- **June 15-17, 2021 – Winner Announced at CPA Conference**

Application Presentation Information

Applicants for the 2021 Coalition Prevention Initiative of the Year Award are asked to create a brief PowerPoint presentation that provides an overview of the coalition’s prevention strategy and desired outcomes.

Formatting Requirements

- 5 slides maximum; applicants are encouraged, but not required, to utilize the CPIY PowerPoint template
- Font size on slides must be 20 points or larger; 20-24 point for content and 36 point for headings is suggested

Required Content	Suggested # of Slides
<u>Getting to Know Your Coalition (2 points)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coalition Name• Mobilizer/Contact Name, Title, Email, Phone Number• What year was your coalition formed?• What location(s) does your coalition serve? (Identify if urban, suburban, or rural)	1 slide
<u>Celebrating Success (8 Points)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How did your coalition continue to engage community members during this year?• How did your coalition engage the community as a whole during this past year?• How did your coalition advance primary prevention during the past year?• What are your coalition’s greatest accomplishments this year?	1 slide for each question
Total Possible Points = 10	Maximum # of slides = 5

Source: This application was developed using the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) GOT OUTCOMES! Coalition of Excellence Awards application as a guide to assist with application development and applicant process.

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