

**Ohio's Strategic Prevention Framework - Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS)**  
**Strategy Proposal Form - Problem Identification & Referral**  
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For each selected strategy, all SPF-PFS funded communities must also submit a plan for **Problem Identification and Referral** for participants engaged in the strategy. It is expected that the plan for **Problem Identification and Referral** will have **no** associated expenses. While SPF-PFS funded communities may not intentionally select this strategy for implementation, the development of a plan is essential to ensure a warm handoff of participants in need of more services which is outside of the scope of the practice of prevention professionals.

Describe your coalition's Problem Identification & Referral Plan for individuals participating in SPF-PFS strategies.

1. What criteria will constitute the need for Problem Identification and Referral?

The identification that a young person is displaying common signs and symptoms of substance use in teens or that they have indulged in illegal/age-inappropriate use of tobacco, alcohol, prescription drugs or first use of illicit drugs. Common signs will include things such as: changes in friends, negative changes in school work, increased secrecy about possessions or activities, changes in clothing choices or music, etc.

2. If you are serving anyone under the age of 18, what is your plan for engaging parents/guardians in the Problem Identification and Referral process?

Parents and guardians of students in the County of Carroll School Districts will receive information and education about the prevention of youth substance use. Our contracted social media professional will provide a resource link at the end of each printed ad or social media post. On all education and awareness campaigns and efforts, parents will be encouraged to learn more by going to the [www.adc-carroll.com](http://www.adc-carroll.com) website, or Coalition for a Drug Free Carroll County Facebook page. The website will have a tab for the parents/adults to have access to additional information on substance use prevention, to include substance specific toolkits and information on how to "talk to your child around the issue of substance use". They will also have an opportunity to read about "Common Signs and Symptoms of Substance Use in Teens". If parents identify that, their teens are displaying "signs and symptoms" of substance use/misuse, they will then be encouraged to seek professional help immediately. The tab will provide a list of school and community resources that can provide an assessment and additional counseling and treatment services if indicated.

3. Who are the community partners that your coalition is referring participants to?

Community Mental Healthcare & Community Family Health Center.

CommQuest Services Inc.

Personal & Family Counseling Services OhioGuidestone

Carroll County Job & Family Services

Carroll County Board of Health

Carroll County Family & Children First

4. What evidence does your coalition have that the community partners are aware of this problem identification and referral plan?

The problem identification and referral plan template was provided to all sector members of the coalition and then discussed at our August CDFCC meeting. Each provider has policy and procedure for screening and assessment. If their agency is not able to provide the necessary resources then they will follow protocol and refer to the appropriate resource/agency.

5. What is the warm hand off procedure (i.e., how will your coalition link the participant to services in a timely and culturally responsive manner)?

Contact information will be listed on the website of agencies that can provide assessment, counseling and treatment services. In addition, parents will also be instructed that they can contact the school guidance counselor for assistance. The school guidance counselor is available to assist parents in securing needed resources. Students can receive on-site assessments with parental consent by school-based services that is provided by Personal & Family Counseling Services and Community Mental Health Services.