



An Interprofessional Approach to Empowering & Engaging Young People in Mission Based Programs

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The National Organizations for Youth Safety (NOYS) is a coalition of nonprofit and for-profit youth-serving organizations and government agencies working together toward the common goal of addressing health and safety issues that affect youth in the United States. The mission of NOYS is to build partnerships that will save lives, prevent injuries, and promote safe and healthy lifestyles among all youth while encouraging youth empowerment and leadership.

Working in collaboration with member organizations, the NOYS coalition maintains a strong focus on traffic safety, while also addressing other issues affecting youth safety such as injury prevention, substance abuse prevention, and violence prevention.

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Key Points

01 INTERPROFESSIONALISM

02 STEPS TO ENGAGE

03 CLOSING THOUGHTS



About Interprofessionalism

01

Collaborative practice typically occurring amongst healthcare providers that with people from within their own profession, with people outside their profession and with patients and their families.

02

Core Competencies:

- **Values/Ethics for Interprofessional Practice**
- Roles/Responsibilities
- Interprofessional Communication
- **Teams and Teamwork.**

03

Model is easily transferable to address the engagement of young people in safety programs and projects.

Why Interprofessional Approach



We are engaging
people from the Gen Y
and Gen Z groups
(13-24 for NOYS projects)



Young people are
the experts in many
of the areas that we
need to engage
them.



It's a strategic
approach that will
assist in program
management and
development.

STEPS TO YOUTH ENGAGEMENT



STEP 1: DETERMINE PROBLEM

Problem can be a re-statement of the mission or project purpose.



STEP 3: PROJECT PLAN

Create a detailed plan that includes core competencies and specific tasks / roles for youth representation

STEP 2: BUILD YOUR TEAM

The team should be focused on youth representation as "The Youth Professional"



STEP 4: EXECUTE PLAN

Give youth leaders space to execute the plan with consistent engagement and feedback



IN CLOSING

Do's

- Embrace the interprofessional approach to include young people.
- Be strategic and intentional about the role given to youth .
- LISTEN. They are the professionals serving in their specific role.

Dont's

- Have a "token" young person. Empower them by giving them peers in their work.
- Ask them to work for free.
- Ask them to work in silos. Team Work is the overall goal!

QUESTIONS??



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