

Keys to success: state adolescent health coordinator



Understanding of adolescence as a developmental time of life

- This knowledge supports you to advocate, educate and create programs that effectively address youth health issues.

Clearly defined work plan.

- Identify what you want to get accomplished, how you will accomplish it and what impact it will have.
- Concrete plan - helps with accountability and advocacy
- Tie this work into your agency's priorities

Extensive array of relationships

- Personal and professional
- Within and outside of agency
- Relationships are given time and attention

Connection to resources

- Knowledge of where to find things
- Organized access to resources

Ability to communicate effectively.

- Ability to frame issues so that people pay attention to your message.
- Method to stay in contact, maintain connections, remain visible.
- Method to pass on and receive information.

Knowledge of your agency's priorities and guiding principles

- Frame your work within these priorities and principles.

Knowledge of how to get things done within your agency

- Formally and informally
- Connections to people who get things done within and outside of the system

