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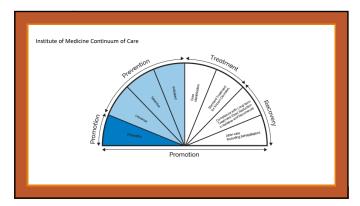
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- 1. Commit to building and strengthening the capacity of our coalitions
- Identify Mutual Aid or Recovery Support
- Group 3. Identify meaningful roles of representative from mutual aid and/or recovery support groups

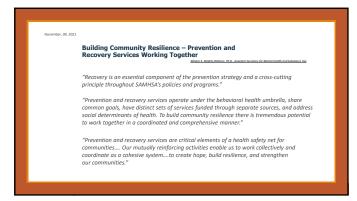


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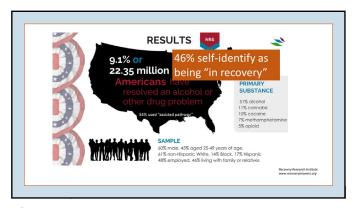
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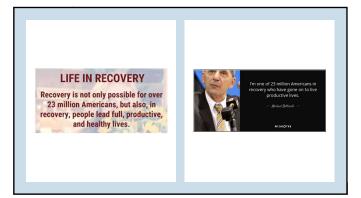
- No one single approach is effective for change
- Both promote leadership development
- Both Assess community strengths and needs including data collection Both educate and raise awareness
- Both address issues of health equity
- Both use Evidence Based Approaches as a means encourage wellness
- Both advocate for policy



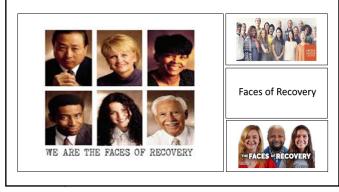












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Definition of Recovery

"A process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential."



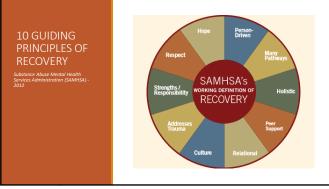
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### Recovery Experience = Transformation

Recovery can be a powerful shift of emotional and spiritual experience that results in:

- enence that results in:
  Surrendering guilf/shame of past actions
  Acknowledgement of hope.
  Investment in finding a solution.
  A sense of belonging, connection to others
  Purposeful existence



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- Is your coalition aware of the Recover Community in your area?
- Do you have representation from the Recovery Community in your coalition?

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#### **How to Engage the Recovery Community**

- 1. Assess the existence of the Recovery Community in your area.
- 2. Establish a rapport with and among groups within the recovery community
- 3. Extend invitation to attend coalition meeting
- Identify what role(s) recovery community can serve in your coalition
- Involve recovery community in prevention planning and strategies
- 6. Collaborate on efforts to create community impact



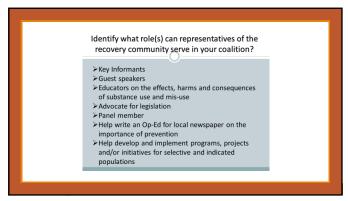
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invitation to attend coalition meeting

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Strategies that
can engage the
recovery
community

1. Use people in recovery for stigma reduction and addiction
2. Train first responders about substance use disorder and recovery
3. Provide recovery support via hotline to individuals contemplating seeking help/treatment
4. Provide immediate treatment access to overdose survivors to detox
5. Provide scholarships for individuals in recovery to receive CRS Training
6. Post billboards for stigma reduction using local residents with long term recovery.
7. Hire individuals in recovery for CRS positions



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How can your coalition benefit from having representation of the recovery community in your coalition?



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### Challenges to Collaboration

- History
- Stigma
- Language
- Anonymity
- Re-Occurrence or Return to Use







The bond of our common humanity is stronger than the divisiveness of our fears and prejudices. God gives us the capacity for choice. We can choose to alleviate suffering. We can choose to work together for peace. We can make these changes and we must.



