

NORTH DAKOTA CoIIN

Innovative Nutrition Workstream

GOAL:

Conduct an assessment of the programs and initiatives addressing food security for children up to the age of 18 throughout the state.



The North Dakota Children's Healthy Weight CoIIN team sought to conduct an environmental scan in the state in order to identify the various nutrition and physical activity programs available to children at the local level. By better understanding the initiatives, their focus, and the regions they serve, the team can determine the gaps in service and make recommendations on how best to fill them.

PARTICIPANTS & PARTNERS

- Creating a Hunger Free North Dakota
- North Dakota State Association of City and County Health Officials (ND SACCHO)
- North Dakota State University Extension
- Prevent Child Abuse North Dakota
- North Dakota WIC

TITLE V PROGRAM CONNECTION

- Title V Project Lead
- One Title V Staff was involved and trained

METHODOLOGY

- Assembled a team with **connections to local, tribal and state resources**
- Sought to identify the **role of Title V in nutrition** within North Dakota
- Identified the need to **enlist stakeholder engagement** at the state, local and tribal levels
- Used **ASPHN's Blueprint for Nutrition and Physical Activity** as a basis for identifying best practices
- Facilitated **stakeholder calls** with partners from state agencies and local public health organizations
- Identified **nutrition work** that was occurring within their **block grant** and how to partner or support that work
- Created a **communication network** for consistent communication and statewide updates regarding the state's public health efforts in nutrition

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- The State Title V Program has made **nutrition a priority** for the next five years
- Sharing among organizations is ongoing through the facilitated **stakeholder calls**



“Joining forces for healthy food sources.”



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