

SMPC Goals

1. Increase protective factors and build resilience and feelings of connectedness in Vermont communities, across all ages, cultures, and socioeconomic conditions.
2. Decrease risk factors for substance misuse in Vermont for individuals of all ages, cultures, and socioeconomic conditions.
3. Increase efficiency and collaboration on prevention efforts across all state, public, and private entities, through a consolidated and holistic approach to prevention that is sustainable, scalable, and equitable.

SMPC Performance Measures

1. Percent of high school and middle school students who believe they matter to their community. (Measures Goal #1 and is measured through the Youth Risk Behavior Survey).
2. Percent of high school and middle school students who perceive harm in using substances (marijuana, alcohol, and tobacco). (Measures Goal # 1 and is measured through the Youth Risk Behavior Survey).
3. Percent of Vermonters who used alcohol, cannabis, stimulants (prescription and illicit), opioids (prescription and illicit), tobacco/nicotine products in the last 30 days. (Measures Goal #2 and is measured through the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, YRBS, BRFSS).

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4. Percentage of the cannabis excise tax, opioid settlement funds, Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement, and other state revenue allocated to prevention programming (Measures Goal #3 and is measured through review of state and federal investments in prevention).
5. At least annually, the full SMPC will meet with the four Vermont Prevention Lead Organizations (VPLOs) and tobacco prevention coalitions or review their materials such as their coalition needs assessments, strategic planning documentation, health equity plans, or workplans. The SMPC will utilize this information shared by these entities to identify continued challenges related to the work of prevention in Vermont to inform ongoing SMPC recommendations to the General Assembly and the Health Department (Measures Goal #3 and is measured through SMPC meeting agendas, minutes, and annual reports)