



Collaborative Projects

- Are developed in response to identified Collaborative priorities.
- Are initiated by Collaborative work groups and 'owned' by the Collaborative by the decision of the Administrative Group, which recommends the projects to the Governance Board, who must authorize the projects.
- Are *not* programs of partner agencies.
- Are entitled to apply for Collaborative funding to be used to leverage additional funding as identified by the work group.
- Are each operated by a project work group whose members are assigned by partner organizations wishing to be involved in the project. The project work group:
 - Ensures that at every stage of development and implementation the project is a model of collaboration, is contributing to systems change and service integration and coordination.
 - Develops the project proposal as directed in an external application or using the Problem-Solving Model. This proposal must be recommended by the Administrative Group to the Governance Board who must approve it prior to implementation.
 - Develops budget recommendations to the Administrative Group.
 - Pursues external funding as necessary to fund program at desired level.
 - Adapts program to approved budget.
 - Determines staffing levels and which Collaborative partner organization on the work group will employ one or more project staff.
 - Ensures the program is evaluated in a manner consistent with the project proposal and evaluation results are shared with the Administrative Group and Governance Board. Develops or approves project/program policies.
 - Oversees the recruitment and hiring of project staff.
 - Develops proposed annual work plan and oversees its implementation; monitors and reports on effectiveness of implementation.
 - Advocates for the project within the Collaborative.