Introduction

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Thank you for agreeing to speak with me today. As you know, we are conducting a series of case studies with leadership and staff from programs funded under the *Consortium of National Networks to Impact Populations Experiencing Tobacco-Related and Cancer Health Disparities (DP13-1314)* cooperative agreement, as well as their partners, to learn more about programs’ efforts to support and build capacity among CDC’s National Comprehensive Cancer Control Programs (NCCCPs) and State-Based Tobacco Control Programs (NSBTs) through training and technical assistance (TTA). The purpose of this interview is to learn more about partnerships associated with the funded organization’s TTA efforts under the DP13-1314 cooperative agreement.

Do you have any initial questions before we begin?

[*Pause to allow for questions*].

Great, I’m going to begin by reviewing the informed consent.

[*Read informed consent statement. If respondent gives verbal consent, proceed with the interview. If the respondent declines participation, thank the respondent and end the interview*]

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Interview Questions

1. Implementation of FOA Components

I would like to begin by discussing your role within [*insert* *name of respondent’s organization*], and your organization’s efforts to implement the components of the Funding Opportunity Agreement (FOA).

1. Briefly describe your organization and how long it has been involved with [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]?
2. How would you describe your role within [*insert* *name of respondent’s organization*]?
   1. How long have you worked at [*insert* *name of respondent’s organization*]?
   2. How did you originally get involved?
3. Describe you and/or your organization’s role in the national comprehensive cancer control network (“the network”).
   1. How do you/ your organization’s help the network operate?
   2. How would describe your/ your organization’s experience with participating in the network?
4. Describe your organization's partnership with [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*] with respect to implementation of TTA for NCCCP grantees.
   1. How does your organization interact with [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]?
   2. How does your organization communicate with [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]?
   3. How long has your organization worked [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]?
      1. What components of TTA does your organization support?
5. What resources, if any, has your organization provided to [*insert* *DP13-1314 grantee organization name*] to support the implementation of the network?
   1. Has your organization provided additional funding? If so, please describe.
   2. Has your organization provided nonmonetary resources (such as volunteers, time, expertise,)? If so, please describe.
6. NCCCP Priorities and Goals

Now I would like to learn more about your perspective on the effectiveness of [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA on NCCCP implementation and the achievement of goals, as well as any aspects of the TTA framework that could be improved.

1. From your perspective how effective do you perceive [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA in contributing to NCCCP implementation and achievement of goals? Please explain.
   1. Do NCCCP state program staff see [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA as effective? How do you know this? Please provide any evidence.
   2. Do NCCCP state program staff view [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA as effective? What evidence has been collected to support this?
   3. Do NCCCP state coalition members see [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA as effective? What evidence has been collected to support this?
   4. What aspects of [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA do you think stakeholders see as most effective?
   5. What aspects of [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization name*]’s TTA do you think stakeholders see as least effective?
2. What suggestions, if any, do you have for improving the effectiveness of [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization]*’s TTA? Please provide specific examples.
3. Essential Elements of TTA Model

Great! For these last few questions, I would like to hear your perspective on the impact of the network on NCCCP grantees’ capacity and programmatic outcomes, as well as factors that may have impacted the effectiveness of [*insert DP13-1315 grantee organization name*]’s TTA.

1. Overall, which aspects of the TTA model do you see as most essential for improving NCCCP capacity?
   1. Which strategies are most essential? Why?
   2. Which activities are most essential? Why?
2. From your perspective, how has the network model improved NCCCP programmatic outcomes?
   1. Which strategies, if any, resulted in improved outcomes? How?
   2. From your perspective, which strategies would network members deem most essential for improving outcomes? Please explain.
   3. Which activities, if any, resulted in improved outcomes? How?
3. From your perspective, which activities would network members deem most essential for improving outcomes? Please explain.Overall, which aspects of the TTA model do you see as most essential for improving NCCCP programmatic outcomes?
   1. Which strategies are most essential? Why?
   2. Which activities are most essential? Why?
4. Describe any lessons learned from supporting the TTA offered by [*insert DP13-1314 grantee organization*] under the DP13-1314 FOA.
   1. What recommendations do you have for improving the TTA model used?

Conclusion

That is all of the questions I have for you at this time. Thank you so much for taking the time to talk with me! This has been very informative and will be important in understanding DP13-1314 grantees’ TTA efforts. Do you have any questions for me at this time? *[Pause for participant questions. Interviewer will use Evaluation FAQ Talking Points document to answer respondent questions].*

Again, if any questions do arise after today, please feel free to contact the ICF Project Manager, Sarah O’Dell at 404-321-3211.