

STRATEGY TEST FIT FORM WORKSHEET

HOW WELL DOES THIS STRATEGY MEET THE "GOOD FIT" CRITERIA

Note: This form must be completed and submitted separately for each of the strategies that are included in your strategic plan. This includes pre-approved strategies as well as those for which a "request for approval of strategy as evidence-based" is required. This information will allow you to demonstrate that the strategy is a "good fit" for your community. Provide answers in the boxes below.

Community/Coalition Name: _____

Strategy being considered: _____

What strategy approval category does this strategy fall under? (place an X next to one of the following two options)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pre-approved by the Maryland OMPP Program
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not pre-approved – request for approval of strategy as evidence-based

What type of strategy is this? (place an X next to one of the following three options)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Universal
<input type="checkbox"/>	Selective
<input type="checkbox"/>	Indicated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't Know / Not Sure

Who is the target population for this strategy?

Which of your Intervening Variable(s) will this strategy impact?

Which of your Contributing Factor(s) will this strategy impact?

Complete a theoretical "if-then" proposition for this strategy (conceptual fit).

Describe how your community has the readiness and capacity to effectively implement this strategy (practical fit).

Will this strategy be implemented as intended in your community? (ability to implement with fidelity)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, this strategy will be implemented as intended
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, we will be making some changes to how this strategy is implemented to better address our target population or the readiness/abilities of our community/coalition (discuss changes below)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Applicable (implementation guidelines were not found or are unavailable for this strategy)
<i>[Explain your changes here if appropriate]</i>	

Is this strategy culturally appropriate and culturally relevant for your target population? (cultural fit)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, this strategy is culturally appropriate and relevant as intended
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, but we have modified it to make it more culturally appropriate and relevant for our community (discuss below)
<input type="checkbox"/>	No / Unsure
<i>[Explain your modifications here if appropriate]</i>	

What will be needed to sustain this strategy in your community beyond OMPP? (sustainability) <i>Mark all that apply</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Additional funding
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong support from stakeholders
<input type="checkbox"/>	Almost nothing, it should be sustainable on its own
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other <i>(please specify)</i> :

Worksheet #4: STRATEGY TEST FIT FORM - EXAMPLE

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Community/Coalition Name: Any Community

Strategy being considered: Compliance Checks for Alcohol Retailers

What strategy approval category does this strategy fall under? (place an X next to one of the following two options)	
X	Pre-approved by the Maryland SPF SIG Program
	Not pre-approved – request for approval of strategy as evidence-based

What type of strategy is this? (place an X next to one of the following three options)	
	Individual
X	Environmental
	Don't Know / Not Sure

Who is the target population for this strategy?

Youth ages 12-20 who obtain alcohol from retail alcohol establishments, including restaurants, bars, convenience stores, and liquor, beer, and wine stores.

Which of your Intervening Variable(s) will this strategy try and impact?

Retail availability and Law Enforcement

Which of your contributing factor(s) will this strategy try and impact?

(Retail): Youth have access to alcohol in retail establishments through lack of ID checks or the use of fake IDs.

(Enforcement): Lack of police resources for alcohol enforcement strategies

Complete a theoretical "if-then" proposition for this strategy (conceptual fit).

If we provide funding to local police for additional dedicated man hours, then they will be able to increase the number of establishments that receive compliance checks during the year.

If the number of compliance checks increase, then more licensed establishments will receive citations for violations of serving alcohol to minors regulations.

If more alcohol establishments receive citations, then alcohol establishments in the county will be aware of increased levels of enforcement and become more rigorous about checking IDs, especially with younger looking purchasers.

If alcohol establishments are more rigorous with their ID policies, then it will be more difficult for youth to

directly purchase alcohol through retail establishments.

If youth have less access to alcohol through retail purchases, then it will reduce their overall access to alcohol and overall consumption rates among youth in the county.

Describe how your community has the readiness and capacity to effectively implement this strategy (practical fit).

The county sheriff’s department and local police are on board for increasing compliance checks on alcohol establishments in the county if they can get more funding for officer overtime hours. The local alcohol board is also on-board to consistently apply, and follow through with, sanctions for violators of ID check regulations and laws. The coalition is ready to prepare flyers and letters to be sent to local vendors informing them of the increase in compliance checks in hopes of prompting them to increase the rigor of their ID check processes in advance of the changes. Also, we have selected a sign vendor to help create “We check ID” signs to post in establishments to remind vendors to follow ID policies and to discourage youth from attempting purchases.

Will this strategy be implemented as intended in your community? (ability to implement with fidelity)	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Applicable (implementation guidelines were not found or are unavailable for this strategy)
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Is this strategy culturally appropriate and culturally relevant for your target population? (cultural fit)	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	No / Unsure
<i>[Explain your modifications here if appropriate]</i>	

What will be needed to sustain this strategy in your community beyond the SPF SIG? (sustainability) <i>Mark all that apply</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Additional funding
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Strong support from stakeholders
<input type="checkbox"/>	Almost nothing, it should be sustainable on its own
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other <i>(please specify)</i> :