



THE NATIONAL INTEROPERABILITY COLLABORATIVE

Organizational Commitment Statement – Opioid Epidemic

The National Interoperability Collaborative (NIC) -- a project of the Stewards of Change Institute -- is committed to increasing prevention-focused efforts to combat the opioid epidemic, both by heightening awareness and participating in initiatives toward that end. One primary means of accomplishing those aims is NIC's Opioid Use Disorder Prevention Playbook, the executive summary of which is attached here. The full version is available on our website.

What is NIC? NIC is an innovative “Community of Networks” designed to meaningfully increase cross-domain collaboration, interoperability and information-sharing. Its ultimate goal is to improve systems and operations that impact everyone’s health and well-being, particularly at-risk and underserved members of society. The six broad domains in which NIC primarily works are: human and social services, public health, public education, public safety, emergency medical services, and health information technology.

Who’s participating? A broad range of major organizations have joined NIC (ex., HIMSS, NACCHO, ASTHO, 2-1-1 San Diego, the Sequoia Project, Strive Together, research centers at UCLA and Stanford University, and many others). NIC’s inaugural leadership partner was AcademyHealth, and its initial state partners were the health and human services agencies of California, Connecticut and Virginia. NIC’s primary funder is the Kresge Foundation, with additional support from IBM, Microsoft, the Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, among others.

How can you get involved? Visit www.nic-us.org or email the team at NIC@stewardsofchange.org.

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