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Behavioral Health Administration

Fact Sheet: Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI)

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Overview	Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI) is a community-focused approach to preventing substance abuse in Washington state. It focuses Washington's limited public resources within 59 "high-need" communities. These are communities that have leaders who are prepared to take on the challenges of preventing substance abuse in their towns and neighborhoods. In many cases, they are rising to the challenge despite the enormous odds of generational alcohol and other drug use that has left their communities awash in high rates of public assistance, crime, poor school performance, and poor public health. The Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) has successfully collaborated with existing county government contractors and Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) to redesign the state Substance Abuse Prevention System into a targeted, community-based system. CPWI leverages school and community prevention resources and targets them in the same communities throughout Washington state.
Eligibility Requirements	CPWI communities are determined by data analysis to have a high-need for services with elevated risks in the following categories: early academic failure, academic failure, crime, prevalence of alcohol and other drug use, mental health problems, economic deprivation, and troubled families.
Authority	DBHR is authorized as the Single State Agency to receive and administer the SAMHSA Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant that supports substance use disorder prevention and mental health promotion.
Budget	Federal Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (\$3,872,029 to Community & \$4,068,096 to OSPI) and Partnerships for Success Grant (\$1,681,274), and WA State Dedicated Marijuana Account Funds (\$909,747).
Rates	N/A.
Costs and Numbers Served	In SFY 2016 12,976 unduplicated community prevention participants and 1,810 prevention and intervention participants were served.



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Partners	 Every county has at least one CPWI community supported and all educational service districts (ESDs) are currently participating in CPWI efforts. The following counties partner with DSHS/DBHR to contract for CPWI services: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Clark, Columbia, Cowlitz, Garfield, Grant, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Lewis, Lincoln, Mason, Pacific, Pend Oreille, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Spokane, Wahkiakum, Walla Walla, and Whatcom.
	DSHS/DBHR directly contracts with providers in the following agencies and organizations for the provision of CPWI services: Chelan/Douglas TOGETHER!, Crescent School District, ESD 105, ESD 112, Kittitas County Community Public Health Safety Network, Marysville School District, Monroe School District, Mt Adams School District, North Counties Family Services, Okanogan County Community Coalition, Quillayute Valley School District, Rural Resources Community Action, Skamania County Sheriff Office, Sunnyside School District, Tekoa School District, Thurston TOGETHER!, Wahluke School District, and Wapato School District.
	Educational Service Districts (ESDs): 101 (Spokane), 105 (Yakima), 112 (Vancouver), 113 (Olympia), 114 (Bremerton), 121 (Renton), 123 (Pasco), 171 (Wenatchee), and 189 (Anacortes).
	Currently, there are 59 local Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI) coalitions across Washington State.
Oversight	DBHR provides funds to OSPI, which in turn, awards funds to ESDs for the purpose of placing intervention specialists in schools; and to counties and local school districts to support local community coalitions.
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