



Regional Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (REOW)

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Creating Healthier Oklahoma Communities

REOW



- Network of agencies, organizations, and individuals with expertise about alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs (ATODs) data and prevention issues.
- Diverse stakeholders in the region.
- Responsible for helping communities and regions collect, analyze, and report on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs consumption and consequences data.

REOW Cont.

- Conducts careful, systematic reviews and analyses of data on the causes and consequences of substance use for the purpose of guiding prevention decisions.

- Identify data gaps
 - Validity of existing data
 - Survey participation
 - New issues
 - Demographics

REOW Coordinators

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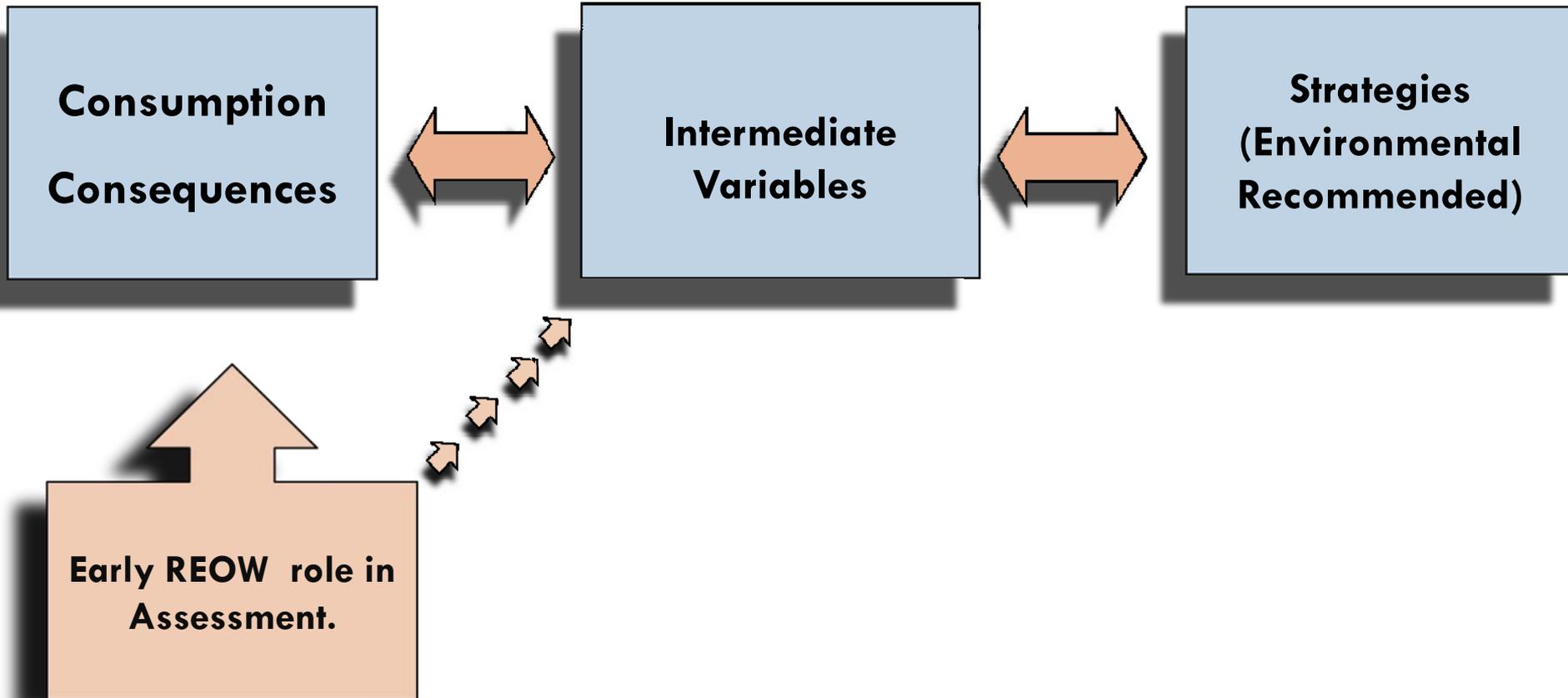
Role of the REOW Coordinators with RPCs

- RPCs will identify and invite key individuals and agencies to serve on the REOW. The REOW Coordinators will assist the RPCs in this process to constitute a REOW with diversity and the skill set needed to fulfill its mission .
- RPCs are responsible for the logistics of REOW meetings. The REOW coordinators will assist as needed.

REOW Key Principles

- Data collected by the REOW will be used by communities for planning, monitoring, and evaluation.
 - Outcomes- Based Prevention
 - Public Health Approach
 - Using Epidemiological Data

Outcome-Based Prevention



Public Health Approach



- Substance-related problems are address by SPF-SIG using a public health approach.
- Data is used to identify “Focus Populations”
- Public Health Approach focuses on population-level change.

Using Epidemiological Data

- Epidemiological data help determine the extent and distribution of substance use consumption and consequences.
- Epidemiological data is vital for the success of an outcomes-based prevention initiative and a public health approach.

Prioritization

- Collect additional data as needed.
- Develop a key set of indicators describing the magnitude and distribution of substance abuse related consumption and consequences patterns.
- Systematic approach to selecting priorities.
- Recommendations for resource allocation.

Epi Profile

- Data collected from the REOW will be analyzed, interpreted, and communicated through an Epi-Profile.
- Community Epi-Profile.
- Regional Epi-Profile.

Surveillance

- The REOW will develop a systematic, ongoing monitoring system for substance-related consumption and consequences data to track progress, address prevention priorities, detect trends, and use such information to redirect resources as needed.

Thank You



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