

## Barriers and Challenges to Partnerships (BCP)

This tool provides a list of issues that could support the need for partnering with other organizations. Consider the dynamics of your organization and community. What are the issues you want to address for which you would need to partner with other organizations? Take a few minutes to answer these questions, and add other questions that come to mind. Share this with others. Assess the results and determine if partnering makes sense.

*Recommended data collection, analyses and interpretation:* There are six basic items in the BCP. Each item is to be scored as '1' (True) or '0' (False). If your answer is yes to most of these (i.e., you score of 4 or above), establishing partnerships to reach a target audience and to address a specific health issue may be a strategy for progress.

For your community, the dynamics are:	True	False
There are fewer public dollars available to address issues.		
Health problems and solutions are increasingly becoming the responsibility of our local community, meaning, it is up to us to take the lead.		
Collaboration and interdependence will be important in addressing these issues.		
New strategies and tools are needed to develop plans and to work together to address health issues.		
Community involvement is dependent on a few organizations.		
Our community is increasing ethnically, economically and racially.		