Healthy Communities, Healthy Congregations
The Partnership Center leads the Department of Health and Human Services’ efforts to build and support partnerships with faith-based and community organizations in order to better serve individuals, families and communities in need.
Center Activities

The Partnership Center works alongside faith-based and community partners to:

- Educate and Engage Communities on the Affordable Care Act
- Support Healthy Children and Families
- Reduce Health Disparities
- Connect Health Systems and Community Partners
- Increase Awareness of Mental Health Issues
- Partner on Responsible Fatherhood
- Engage Communities on the My Brother’s Keeper Initiative
Best Practices for Community and Faith-based Partnerships

1. “If you do everything you do nothing well”
2. Do something together
3. Identify goals you share
4. Clearly define roles and assets
5. Communicate consistently
6. Share success
Checklist for Maintaining a Healthy and Productive Community Partnership

- Create a positive and motivating mission.
- Establish strong management and leadership.
- Respect the community.
- Establish clear ground rules and policies.
- Create a clear action plan.
- Validate and respect members and staff.
- Address administrative barriers.
- Encourage staff cohesion.
- Set realistic expectations and goals.
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