

Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Roadmap and Toolkit Academy

This Academy by the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (National DEC) focuses on how to implement the DEC Roadmap and Toolkit which is a strategy in building a multidisciplinary Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Alliance. The DEC Roadmap and Toolkit focuses on three stages: Awareness, Implementation and Institutionalization. Each stage of the Roadmap and Toolkit will take several months and continually built upon and revisited. This Academy will help prepare participants for each stage when your alliance is ready to move forward. Many of the steps, handouts and resources will not be used with your alliance during the 7-session Academy as your alliance will not be at that stage. The information learned and access to the resource portal will allow your alliance to develop and grow at its own pace.

Participants of the Academy will be provided training as well as gain access to the National DEC Roadmap and Toolkit portal. They will receive weekly facilitation and coaching from National DEC Staff throughout the 7-session Academy. The Academy sessions include:

1) Roadmap and Toolkit Introduction — 1 hour

National DEC Staff will provide an overview of the Academy, Roadmap and Toolkit Awareness, Implementation and Institutionalization stages and introduction to the tools and resources to be used throughout the Academy. Access will be provided to the online Roadmap and Toolkit resource portal.

2) Awareness Stage — 2 hours

This session will focus on how to build awareness and education around drug endangered children efforts and steps to take during the development of your community alliance. National DEC staff will assist in completing worksheets and preparing surveys that will help bring awareness around DEC efforts and provide insight on the needs of your community. We will provide tools, handouts and assessments and how to use them effectively within your community.

3) Coaching Session — 1 hour

Coaching sessions will focus on questions, overcoming barriers, follow up on assigned tasks and develop action items.

4) Implementation Stage — 2 hours

During this session the focus will be on the steps needed to analyze data and survey results to guide a strategic plan. We will discuss how to identify and develop resources to fulfill your community needs, as well as identify and implement DEC promising practices.

5) Coaching Session — 1 hour

Coaching sessions will focus on questions, overcoming barriers, follow up on assigned tasks and develop action items.

6) **Institutionalization Stage** — 2 hours

This session will focus on how to institutionalize DEC efforts across disciplines and the community. This may include ongoing awareness and implementation efforts, developing protocols, implementing the strategic plan and conducting an alliance self-assessment.

7) Coaching Session — 1 hour

Coaching sessions will focus on questions, overcoming barriers, follow up on assigned tasks and develop action items.

Who Should Attend:

Any professional, group or existing alliance looking to start, develop, enhance or add to an existing coalition, multidisciplinary team or alliance.