Are You Ready to Evaluate Your Coalition?

Evaluability assessment is a systematic process for deciding whether evaluation is justified, feasible and likely to provide useful information. The following questions can help you to decide whether your coalition is ready to evaluate itself and its work!

		Yes	No
1.	Is coalition fully active?	☐	☐
2.	Are partners committed to collaboratively evaluate coalition & its work?	☐	☐
3.	Are coalition's goals realistic?	☐	☐
4.	Are interventions consistent with coalition's goals?	☐	☐
5.	Are desired results specific & clear enough to be assessed?	☐	☐
6.	Are interventions well-grounded in theory and/or prior evidence?	☐	☐
7.	Do you know what kinds of data will be needed?	☐	☐
8.	Are these data available and/or do you know where to access data?	☐	☐
9.	Are there any factors that limit or constrain access to these resources?	☐	☐
10.	Can evaluation be achieved in time frame that permits findings to be used to make program/policy decisions by organizational and political officials?	☐	☐
11.	Are evaluation findings likely to be generalizable & useful in assessing whether strategies should be expanded to new populations/settings?	☐	☐
12.	Do adequate resources for evaluation exist that can be shared or obtained (e.g., money, time, expertise & partner support)?	☐	☐
13.	Will evaluation address key coalition questions & be translated into "lessons learned"?	☐	☐
14.	Are partners willing to pay attention to evaluation results, even if they cause coalition to change or be viewed differently?	☐	☐
15.	Is evaluator/evaluation team willing to listen to input from coalition in designing evaluation, interpreting results, and how results are reported?	☐	☐

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