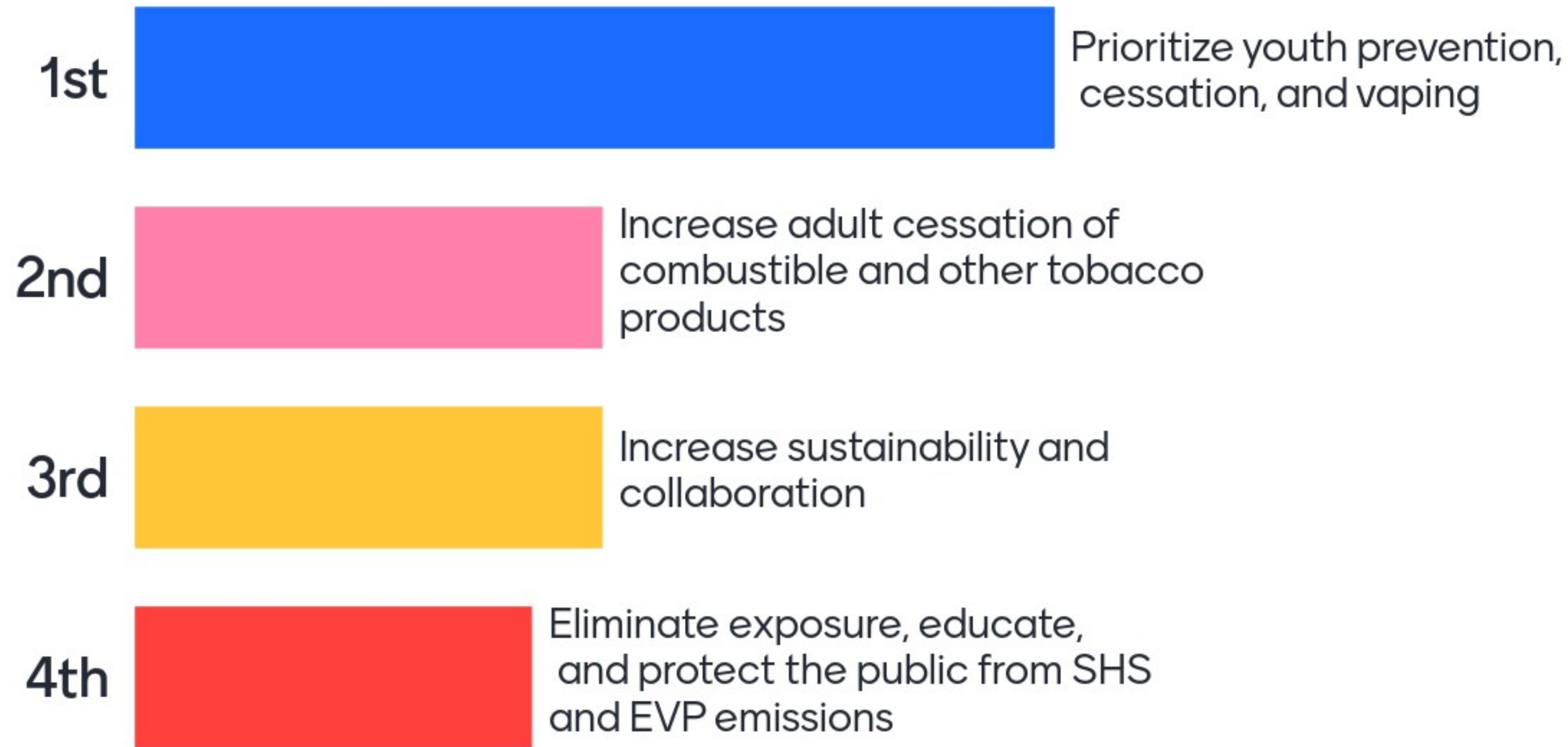


# Which of the 2023-2027 Goal Areas would you like to review?



# If interested, please provide your name and the goal area you would like to review (estimated time - up to 2 hours)

If people don't start using, all the others are not relevant

n/a

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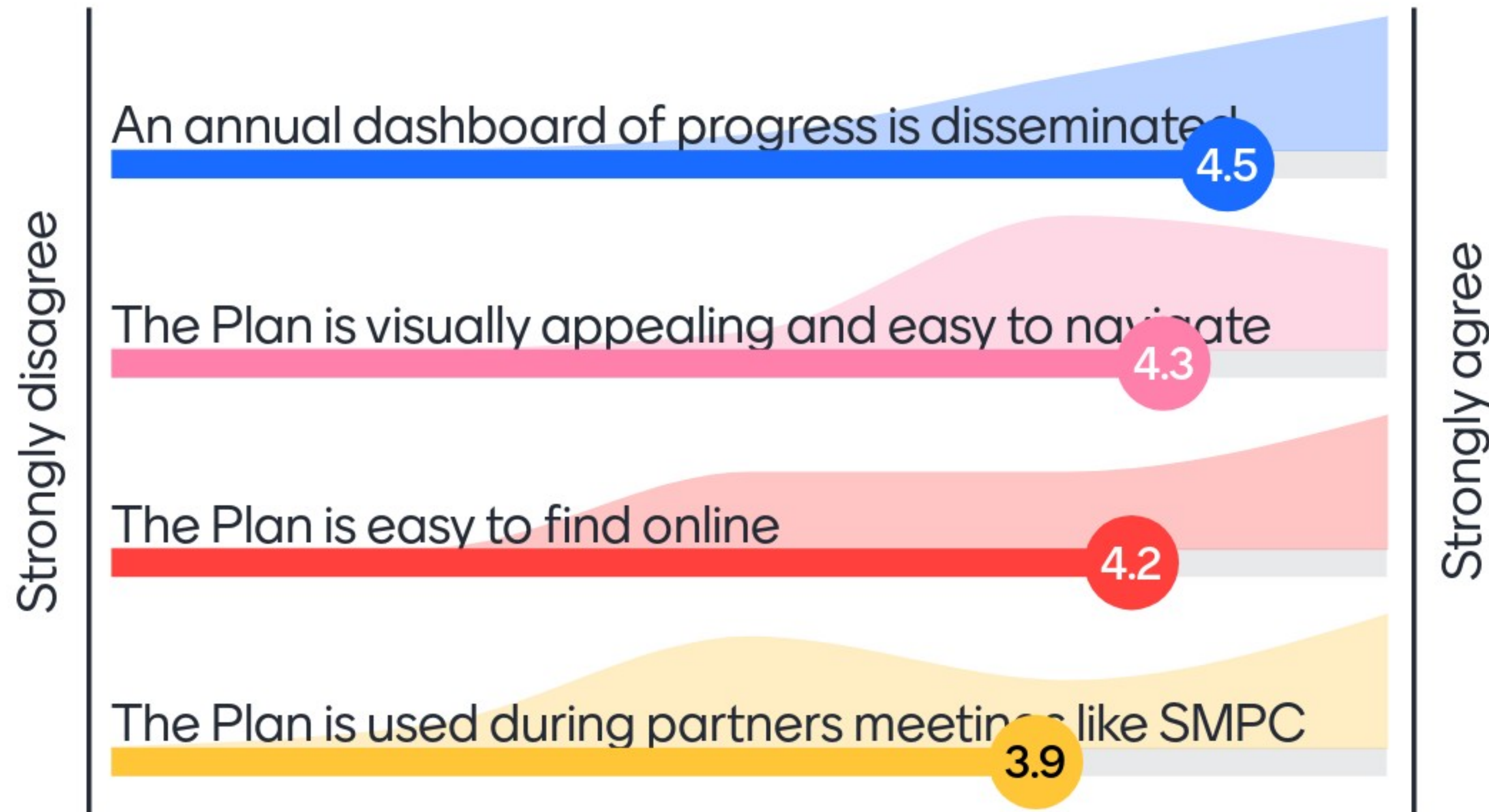
Youth work - Kheya Ganguly

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Sarah Roy- Youth Prevention

Sustainability and Collaboration -  
Maryann Morris -  
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# We want this plan to be used by a variety of partners. How important are each of the following to optimize use of the Plan?



# In what other ways can we optimize use of the Vermont Plan to eliminate tobacco use and vaping?

Data, data data!

Get lots of youth voice

create stories to amplify data

Continually link program funding BACK to the plan.

Making sure that partnering with other state agencies doing work on substance use prevention are also included (DSU, AOE, etc)

make it accessible to everyone, include in grant objectives, collect data to evaluate

involve stakeholders in the planning (ie. involve youth!)

media campaigns discussing new policies to change perceptions of tobacco use

stay on top of and informative about new trends and topics

# In what other ways can we optimize use of the Vermont Plan to eliminate tobacco use and vaping?

address partners working on social determinants of health, like SASH, VT afterschool, etc.

collaborate o strategies that can be done multi substance

# Starting last year, in the annual report the SMPC broke out their recommendations into two categories.

- Programmatic Policies – focused on the Health Department, Agency of Human Services or other state entity
- Legislative Policies – focused on the General Assembly and Governor's Office

# Programmatic Recommendations:

## Representation in Prevention Planning

- a. The Vermont Department of Health (VDH) should ensure that under-served and under-represented communities, including Black, Indigenous, People of Color, New Americans, people with disabilities, older Vermonters, and the LGBTQ+ community are consulted during the planning process for all prevention funding. This should be completed using cultural humility and exploring different ways to engage these identified communities. *(Equity)*
  
- b. As part of the planning process for new prevention funding, including the \$3 million allocated to prevention coalitions in the SFY23 budget, VDH should identify opportunities for the SMPC to provide feedback and guidance in this process. *(Prevention)*

# Programmatic continued

## Responsible Messaging

- a. The Vermont Department of Health (VDH) should review current funding levels dedicated to prevention messaging of all substances at risk of misuse in comparison to [the CDC's recommended level](#) of prevention messaging funding. If there are gaps in recommended funding levels and current budgets for evaluated and effective messaging, VDH should identify additional funding to meet or exceed the minimum funded recommended levels. *(Communications)*



# Final Programmatic Policy

## Integration of Substance Use Prevention in Education Recovery and Revitalization Efforts

- a. The Agency of Human Services (AHS) and Agency of Education (AOE) should integrate substance use prevention strategies and programming as part of the [AHS' Social Emotional Learning and Well-being](#) supports. (*Prevention and Policy*)

# Legislative Policies:

## Cadence of Reporting

- a. Amend 18 V.S.A. §4803 to change the reporting cadence of the SMPC to the Vermont Legislature to every other year beginning with 2023; an interim executive summary can be provided upon request. This amendment will allow for more strategic and comprehensive recommendations to be provided to the General Assembly from the SMPC. *(Full SMPC)*

## THC Limits

- b. Develop a process by which the legislature reconsiders the allowable THC limits for adult use cannabis at regular intervals to ensure alignment with evolving scientific research. *(Policy)*

# Legislative Policies continued

## Tobacco and Nicotine Flavor Ban

- b. Enact a comprehensive ban of the sale of all flavored tobacco and nicotine products in Vermont, including menthol flavored products. (*Policy*)

**Logic Model: ACT 82, relating to substance misuse prevention**

**Strategies/Inputs/Activities**

**Short-term Outputs/Outcomes**

**Intermediate Outcomes**

**Long-term Outcomes**

SMPC Council

Chief Prevention Officer

Substance Misuse Prevention Manager

- Review and recommend best practices to reduce demand for substances in communities and schools.
- Propose changes to existing state laws, rules, policies, and programs after review
- Review community-based youth programming
- Make specific prevention program recommendations after evaluations review
- Review community-based programs for older Vermonters
- Advise Governor and General Assembly
- Examination of promising practices for prevention
- Identify and coordinate initiatives across State government and community stakeholder groups
- Inventory of substance misuse prevention programs in the state
- Draft annual report on findings including recommendations for legislative action
- Coordinate the work of the SMPC Council and planning of regional prevention efforts

- Evidence-based/informed prevention initiatives are advanced in the State.
- Coordination of prevention action in State Government is improved by reducing redundancy and barriers to coordination
- Gaps in services and populations are addressed
- Foundation of connection and support for all VT Children and youth is determined.
- Gaps in services, geographic disparities and barriers are identified and addressed.
- Population prevention measures are at the forefront of all policy decisions.
- Funding for prevention initiatives is available through a portion of tax revenue
- Increased protective factors, resilience, and feelings of connectedness across all ages, cultures, and socioeconomic conditions
- Decreased risk factors for substance use in VT across all ages, cultures, and socioeconomic conditions

- Improved prevention policies and programming
- Prevention efforts are consolidated and coordinated across State Government
- Social and environmental factors ensure opportunities for action, engagement, and connectedness
- Prevention programs are available and sustainably funded across VT communities and schools
- Increased efficiency and collaboration of prevention efforts across all state, public, and private entities
- Increased % of :  
MS/HS students who feel they matter to community  
MS/HS students who perceive harm in substance use
- Decreased % of :  
VT'ers age 12+ using any substances at risk for abuse  
VT'ers age 18-25 using any substances at risk for abuse

- Improved health outcomes for all Vermonters
- Improved well-being through prevention efforts
- VT Prevention approaches are Holistic, Sustainable, Scaleable, and Equitable



# Thank you!

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