

Evaluating Indicators in the Substance Use Prevention & Recovery (Youth) Concentration Area

This document contains survey statements for evaluating the indicators in the Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (Youth) concentration area. *Extension agents should contact specialists/state contacts in this concentration area for guidance on how to evaluate learning opportunities in this area.*

The indicators for this concentration area consist of short-term and medium-term outcomes as indicated in Table 1.

- **Short-Term Program Metrics (PM):** Indicators designated as short-term program metrics (PM) do not require a survey and are typically measured using program data and other program evaluation/process monitoring information (e.g. attendance/sign in sheets, participant records, participatory evaluation).
- **Short-Term Outcomes (ST):** Indicators designated as short-term (ST) represent expected **immediate** outcomes of UK Extension Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (Youth) programs. These indicators are measured using post-participation evaluation tools/surveys.
- **Medium-Term Outcomes (MT):** Indicators designated as medium-term (MT) represent expected **behavior change** outcomes of UK Extension Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (Youth) programs. Behavior change typically requires time to mature. Hence, these indicators are measured using follow-up evaluation tools/surveys.

Table 1: Indicators and Survey Statements

Concentration Area: Substance Use Prevention & Recovery (Youth)			
KERS Indicator #	Indicator	Statements (Y/N)	Timeline for Evaluation
801.1	Number of participants who reported an increased knowledge of substance use prevention, addiction, and/or recovery (or related subject matter).	Participating in [XYZ-Name of Program] increased my knowledge of substance use prevention, addiction, and/or recovery.	ST
801.2	Number of partnerships with community organizations, institutions, agencies, or individuals	<i>This is a program metric. Please report from program data, e.g., records of</i>	PM

	to address substance use/recovery in the community.	<i>your partnerships with community organizations.</i>	
801.3	Number of participants who reported intended behavior change as a result of participation in substance use prevention and/or recovery programming.	Since participating in [XYZ-Name of Program], I intend to [<i>insert expected behavior change related to substance use recovery and/or prevention</i>].	ST
801.4	Number of participants who reported that they intend to use self-care strategies to improve their recovery and/or substance refusal skills.	Since participating in [XYZ-Name of Program], I intend to use self-care strategies to improve my recovery and/or substance refusal skills.	ST
801.5	Number of participants who reported an increased ability to use destigmatized language.	Participating in [XYZ-Name of Program] increased my ability to use destigmatized language.	ST
801.6	Number of participants who used self-care strategies to improve their recovery and/or substance refusal skills.	Since participating in [XYZ-Name of Program], I have used self-care strategies to improve my recovery and/or substance refusal skills.	MT