Ep 3: Achieving More by Leveraging Partnerships for a Collective Impact on Diabetes Prevention
Featuring Pennsylvania Department of Health and Health Promotion Council
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ABOUT THIS EPISODE

Through leveraging traditional and non-traditional partnerships, Pennsylvania has made significant progress in advancing diabetes prevention efforts. Their work to merge prevention into the existing healthcare model is an example that many states can follow. Join us as we talk with Amy Flaherty, MA, Director of the Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity at the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Kim Labno, MS, PMP, Assistant Director of Training and Capacity Building at Health Promotion Council. They share about using virtual platforms, their work with key partners to achieve collective goals, and gaining state employee coverage of the National DPP lifestyle change program.

“Relationships with existing partners and building new relationships with perhaps non-traditional partners has the greatest potential to lead long lasting health benefits within communities.”

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- National Nurse-led Care Consortium National Diabetes Prevention Program Final Summary and webinar, March 2021
- National DPP Offered as a Medical Benefit by Pennsylvania Employees Benefit Trust Fund, Winter 2020
- Conemaugh Health System DPP Video Promotion, May 2021

From NACDD:
- Collective Impact in Action Report, November 2020

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