Prevention Redesign Initiative

- The DSHS Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) is committed to contracting with county governments and OSPI to provide effective prevention services to reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use by our state's youth, and the related negative consequences.
- We anticipate that moving to a community-focused approach, with the expertise and commitment of our state and community partners, will help us leverage resources and focus and concentrate our efforts.
- This will help Washington's prevention field build on what works, have a deeper impact, better measure those impacts, and build support for additional investments in prevention.

Selected communities will:

- Designate a community coordinator.
- Implement proven strategies through a prevention coalition.
- Use evidence-based capacity building.
- Implement environmental and targeted direct services, programs and policies.
- Partner with school-based prevention/intervention specialists.
- Evaluate chosen programs, policies and community-level change, and participate in statewide evaluation.
- Receive technical assistance from DBHR.
- Support state efforts to reduce youth access to tobacco and comply with federal Synar regulations.

DBHR Prevention Redesign Initiative Planning Framework

