Rhode Island’s approach to this review process included:

ESTABLISHING PROGRAM

GOALS
1. Data review by diverse group
2. Identify gaps and make recommendations
3. Distribute funds to support interventions at community level

ESTABLISHING AUTHORITY AND MEMBER PROTECTION

RI used contracts between state agencies and institutions in its pilot phase. Legislation was passed to establish protections and expand membership in 2018.

CREATING A TEAM

Membership represented diverse stakeholders.

SELECTING CASES

Survillance data was used to determine a theme for each meeting.

CONDUCTING REVIEWS & DISEMINATING FINDINGS

Recommendations for interventions were summarized and shared with partners and posted online.

ADVANCING RECOMMENDATIONS WITH MINI-GRAINS

Small grants of $5,000 or less were available to community based organizations after each meeting for implementation of recommendations. Grant process was competitive.