Hawaii COPD Coalition

making a difference with very limited resources

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2 Organizational Models

Planning to Plan

- Beautiful organizational charts
- A place for everything & everything in its place
- Significant planning period before any programs begin
- Favored by governments & large organizations

Ready, Fire, Aim



- A "feet on the ground" model
- A workable plan is made for things that can be done in the near term.
- The original plan is revised based on experiences
- Used by many small nonprofits with limited resources

Consequences

Planning to Plan

- Many resources are used and exhausted in planning.
- Sometimes no time remains for the program itself.
- Plans may become obsolete before *any execution*.



Ready, Fire, Aim

- Initially not taken seriously because so small & nimble
- Fewer resources devoted to planning so more available for execution and evaluation
- More flexible and easier to revise based on experience

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Barriers

Little money



Rejection



No interest

Solutions

Improvise, use volunteers, look in unlikely places, diversify

Cultivate friends, advocates, & champions; try, try again





Persist in looking for allies

Not a non-profit

Too big & too costly

You can't do it alone

- Get a fiscal agent, work with existing organizations
- Organize & prioritize
- Start small & "just do it"



• Keep networking and building friends and allies

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The Usual Suspects

- American Association for Respiratory Care
- State Association for Respiratory Care
- American Thoracic Society
 - Public Advisory Roundtable (inspiring)
 - Patient Materials & Grants
- State Thoracic Society
- ACCP Patient Materials
- National Heart Lung Education Program

Who Else?

- State Department of Health
 - · Chronic Disease Division
 - Tobacco Prevention & Ed Program
 - BRFSS & State Health Survey
- State Tobacco Free Coalition
- Community Health Centers
- Faith-Based Communities





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MORE Potential Collaborators

- PPOs (the Blues)
- Managed Care (Mayo, Kaiser)
- Medicaid
- QuitLine
- American Lung Association
- Pharmaceutical companies
- The United Way







Volunteers & Interns

Healthcare Students

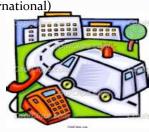
- Pharmacy & Pre-Pharmacy
- Public Health (MPH)
- Medical Students
- Respiratory Therapists
- Nursing
- Social Work

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Policymakers, elected/appointed officials Other Organizations

- * Medical Centers
- * Community Pharmacies (stand alone, supermarkets)
- Community Organizations—Lions, Rotary, others
- * American Legacy Foundation
- * Other Support Groups (in state)
- On-Line Support Groups (e.g. EFFORTS, COPD-Alert, COPD Information Forum, COPD International)
- COPD Foundation & US COPD Coalition
- · Learn More, Breathe Better, NHLBI
- · Other non-profits
- EPA, CDC, NIH, AHRQ & others



Yes, we can!

Working together, we can accomplish many things:

- 1. Collect statewide COPD prevalence data
- 2. Lung health clinics throughout state
- 3. Increase awareness of COPD by policymakers
- 4. Share and network with others
- 5. Establish and maintain support groups
- 6. Educate healthcare professionals
- 7. Provide COPD education days



