

COPN Accelerator 7.0 Cohort Program

Build adaptive leadership skills to bridge overdose prevention with behavioral health services in your community.

Applications open Oct. 28. Cohort launches Jan. 27. [Learn more.](#)

About

PHI Center for Health Leadership & Impact (CHLI) is pleased to announce our upcoming COPN Accelerator 7.0 cohort program for local overdose prevention coalitions in California. **The program is designed to help multi-sector teams build adaptive leadership skills to better integrate overdose prevention activities with behavioral health services in their community.**

Join the Accelerator cohort program today and participate in a statewide learning community to strengthen your local behavioral health partnerships, build buy-in from local stakeholders, and advance innovative overdose prevention and treatment interventions.

[Learn more & apply today.](#)

Our approach

Using a guided process, your team will apply principles of adaptive leadership to implement an applied project and fortify your coalition's overdose and substance use prevention goals.

Guided tools, facilitated workshops, and technical assistance provided by subject matter experts will enable your team to meet your coalition's specific needs while providing an opportunity to learn from other communities across California.

This program offers:

- Monthly virtual workshops
- Learning group sessions with peer coalitions
- Coaching and technical assistance
- Customized tools and resources
- Virtual convenings
- \$15k mini grant to implement an applied project

"We are very thankful as a coalition for all the support from COPN over the last two years. It has not only helped us professionally but helped save lives in our community."

"The support provided to our coalition through the Accelerator program has helped us be a more engaged coalition...Our partners are not just attending a meeting; they're becoming part of these projects and people are truly sharing in the work."

"Our approach [has become] more mindful and holistic, while focusing on removing barriers to access and being integrative of both the recovery continuum and the community."



Why should we apply?

- Gain experience working as a team and learn from other coalitions across California.
- Receive expert coaching from seasoned public health leaders.
- Learn from subject matter experts in adaptive leadership, strategic partnerships, and behavioral health services integration.
- Build your skills through monthly workshops, guided tools, and biannual convenings.
- Receive a \$15,000 mini grant for your team to implement an applied project to advance your coalition's leadership and behavioral health integration efforts.

Who should be on my team?

- A team of 4-6 individuals representing multiple organizations/sectors (i.e., government, health care, business, etc.) including at least one representative from a county behavioral health department or a behavioral health provider
- Your team can represent an informal collaborative, local coalition, or other stakeholders who want to work together to address overdose prevention in your community.

What is expected of participants?

- 10-month commitment (Jan through Oct 2026).
- 4-6 hours per month.
- Participation in all program activities including monthly workshops, guided tools, coach calls, and biannual virtual convenings.

What is the application process and timeline?

- Applications released: Tuesday, October 28
- Applications due: Friday, December 9
- Teams notified of selection: Monday, January 12
- 2-hour program launch webinar:
Tuesday, January 27, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm PT



"Having a small, multidisciplinary team that worked together on the Accelerator program really served us in terms of focusing our efforts. That collaboration helped us respond to funding opportunities that brought in millions of dollars to our community."

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Questions?

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