

CHOICES Community of Practice August Coffee Chat Resource Round-up

This document compiles resources shared during the August 22, 2024 coffee chat: *Putting the Eggs in All the Right Baskets: Tips for Braiding & Layering Funds to Support Public Health Programs*. This coffee chat included a discussion of braiding and layering funding to support public health initiatives, particularly those focused on prevention, and outreach tactics. [Recording](#) | [Presentation Slides](#)

Guest Speaker:

- **Ali Maffey** | Vice President of Social and Behavioral Health at the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

Resources shared during the coffee chat

Braiding and Layering Funding to Address the Social Determinants of Health (ASTHO) – White Papers

The social determinants of health (SDOH)—the social, economic, and built environments in which people live, learn, work, and play—have significant impacts on health outcomes. Despite their demonstrable impact, it remains challenging to sustainably fund initiatives that address SDOH—such as access to food, housing, and transportation. Braiding and layering funding, the practice of using multiple funding streams to support a common initiative, is one approach to address these complex issues. These white papers highlight case examples and provide best practices for sustainably funding initiatives focused on SDOH.

<https://www.astho.org/topic/population-health-prevention/healthcare-access/braiding-and-layering-funding-to-address-sdoh>

- **Braiding and Layering Funding to Address Food Insecurity: Proximity to Food Retailers (ASTHO)**
<https://www.astho.org/globalassets/pdf/sdoh-braiding-layering-funding-food-insecurity-proximity-to-retailers.pdf>
- **Braiding and Layering Funding to Address Food Insecurity: Access to Food (ASTHO)**
<https://www.astho.org/globalassets/pdf/sdoh-braiding-layering-funding-food-insecurity-access.pdf>

Braiding and Layering Funding for Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention (ASTHO)

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) developed this report to help state and territorial health agency staff understand the process of braiding and layering funds and identifying opportunities to maximize ACEs prevention resources and impact. This report was created with input from state and territorial health agency senior directors, other senior leadership, federal partners, and internal ASTHO subject matter experts.

<https://www.astho.org/globalassets/report/braiding-and-layering-funding-for-aces-prevention.pdf>

ABOUT THE CHOICES COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

The CHOICES Community of Practice is an initiative of the CHOICES Project at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. The CHOICES Community of Practice includes people whose work focuses on advancing obesity prevention, healthy eating, and active living and want to learn more about how cost-effectiveness analysis can advance their efforts and address health equity. [Sign up to access tools and resources, connect with members, and more!](#) Learn more about CHOICES: <https://choicesproject.org>

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