

Pick a time keeper and a reporter.

Who are you? (5 minutes)

(part 1): Pick what community you represent. You can be the whole state, or a specific county, city or neighborhood in the state.

(part 2): Each person wears two hats: their everyday role, and one role from the list of potential partners. Only one person per role.

The Curve to Turn (5 minutes): Pick a curve to work on. Discuss the baseline and present at least one forecast of the path you are on if nothing changes. Ask yourself “Is this OK?” If the answer is “yes” then pick another curve.

The Story Behind the Curve (15 minutes): What’s going on here? Why does the baseline look the way it does? What are the causes? What are the forces at work? As you try to answer this question keep a side list of things you would like to know more about. This is your information agenda.

What Works to Turn the Curve (20 minutes): What do you think would work in this community to turn this curve? Make sure the discussion gets to what each partner could contribute. Make sure the ideas are clearly defined. Be specific. Make sure at least one idea is a no cost or low cost- that is, “off the wall” - idea.

Prepare to report (5 minutes): Choose three “what works” ideas to report. (One should be for the lead agency if one is identified.) At least one reported item should be no cost low cost.