



**Committee Charter:** Chemical Health and Multi-drug Prevention (CHAMP) Coalition of Wadena County

**Department Responsible:** Wadena County Public Health

**Overview:** Substance misuse is an underlying issue influencing public health and community concerns. Funding requests to address substance misuse have required the inclusion of a community coalition to represent the funded geographic area. Coalition membership consists of multiple community sectors such as youth, parents, community members, business, media, schools, youth-serving organizations, law enforcement, judicial, spiritual/fraternal organizations, county/local elected officials, civic/volunteer groups, healthcare, mental health, state/local government, and other organizations involved in reducing substance abuse.

**Purpose:** The overall purpose of the CHAMP Coalition Board is to increase community collaboration with community sectors in efforts to improve and enhance the health, safety and quality of life for children, teens and the Wadena County community by reducing substance use and abuse. CHAMP leverages partnerships with coalition members/groups to improve relationships and connections and to increase awareness of local concerns including substance prevention and misuse, and mental health needs.

Coalition Members:	Sector
Wadena Chamber of Commerce	Business
Local residents	Community Members
Someplace Safe	Community Serving Organization
MAHUBE-OTWA	Community Serving Organization
Lutheran Social Services (LSS)	Community Serving Organization
Community Concern for Youth (CCY)/	Other Organizations involved in reducing youth substance misuse
Probation	Law Enforcement
County Commissioner	Elected Official
Astera Health	Healthcare
Wadena County Human Services	Human Services
County Attorney	Judicial
Menahga Police Department	Law Enforcement
Wadena Police Department	Law Enforcement
Wadena County Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement
Sebeka Police Department	Law Enforcement
Sourcewell	Mental Health
School Social Workers	Mental Health/Schools
School Counselors	Mental Health/Schools
Local Parents	Parents
Local churches	Faith-based Organizations
Public Health	Healthcare Professionals
Menahga Schools	Schools
Sebeka Schools	Schools
Verndale Schools	Schools
Wadena-Deer Creek Schools	Schools
Jail Social Worker	Human Services
Wadena County Students	Youth
4H Extension Educator/Coordinator	Youth Serving Organization

**Membership:**

- There shall be no minimum or maximum number of members.
- Membership shall include, but not be limited to, members from community sectors including youth, parents, community members, business, schools, youth-serving organizations, law enforcement, judicial, county/local elected officials, civic/volunteer groups, healthcare, mental health, state/local government, other organizations involved in reducing substance abuse and others interested in the wellbeing of the community.
- Each represented governmental unit shall establish the criteria and method of selecting its members.
- Non-governmental units shall establish the criteria and method of selecting its members.
- There are no term limits of members.

**Responsibilities:**

- Participate in the identification, selection and implementation of activities that reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among residents of Wadena County, especially young people.
- Help assess community needs and identify existing resources.
- Strive to coordinate programs and resources to maximize impact.
- Assist with evaluation and monitoring of Coalition activities.

**Meeting Schedule:**

The CHAMP Board meets quarterly, the fourth Wednesday in March, June, September, and December; unless a conflict with the set date necessitates a change (such as a holiday).

**Decision-making:** Group consensus

**Reporting:** Reports to funders, Wadena County Board, advisories and collaboratives, as requested.

**Annual review:** Charter reviewed and updated annually

**Goals:**

- Increase community collaboration
- Reduce substance misuse in Wadena County