

## Partnership Readiness Questionnaire

Answer each of the questions below twice. First from your perspective, then from your organization's perspective.

— Question —	Yes	No	Don't Know
1. Are you genuinely interested in and committed to the community?			
2. Why do you want to form a community partnership? (check one or more)			
a. Need community partners to meet funding requirements.			
b. Need to recruit individuals from underserved populations for a study.			
c. Need credibility that may come from partnering with others.			
d. Need resources that comes with partnerships.			
e. Other:			
3. Does your mission, culture and priorities encourage, support and recognize the value of partnerships?			
4. Do you have a previous history of working with the community?			
a. Is this history a positive one?			
5. Do you have any knowledge about the community (for example, culture, norms, politics, socio-demographic characteristics)?			
6. Do you have existing relationships with the community?			
a. Are these relationships positive?			
7. Do you have the time needed to engage the community and form the partnership?			
8. Do you have the necessary skills to begin and sustain a partnership? (check one or more)			
a. <i>Communication.</i> Ability to provide and receive feedback. Strong listening skills. Ability to be a clear and effective verbal and nonverbal communicator.			
b. <i>Cultural competence or cultural humility.</i>			
c. <i>Ability to share power and control over decisions.</i>			
d. <i>Group facilitation and interpersonal skills.</i>			
9. Can you contribute any of the following to the partnership?			
a. Staff and/or volunteers			
b. In-kind resources (e.g. meeting space, technology, dissemination network)			
c. Connections to key community leaders and resources			
d. Knowledge of the issues/topics to be addressed			
e. Training and technical assistance			
f. Other: (e.g. financial resources)			
10. What are the potential benefits of a community partnership for your organization and/or project?			
11. What are the benefits of the partnership to the community?			

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