

Intervention: CASASTART (Striving Together to Achieve Rewarding Tomorrows)

Finding: Sufficient evidence for effectiveness

Potential partners to undertake the intervention:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nonprofits or local coalitions | <input type="checkbox"/> Businesses or labor organizations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schools or universities | <input type="checkbox"/> Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health care providers | <input type="checkbox"/> Local public health departments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State public health departments | <input type="checkbox"/> Policymakers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitals, clinics or managed care organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

Background on the intervention:

CASASTART (Striving Together to Achieve Rewarding Tomorrows) is a community-based, school-centered program designed to keep high-risk preadolescents (8 to 13 years old) free of drug and crime involvement. The program uses preventive services and community-based law enforcement.

Findings from the systematic reviews:

Systematic reviews recommend CASASTART as an effective program. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) lists it as a model program while the Office of Educational Research and Information (OERI) cites it as an exemplary program. See the Web site below for more information.

Additional information:

CASASTART - www.casacolumbia.org