

Table 1. What contributes to effective collaboration?

Community context	Values/principles	Collaborative processes	Collaborative structures	Outcomes
Previous working relationships	Shared vision	Building and maintaining relationships	Collaborative working group agreements	Increased funds/resources
Community empowerment and control	Cultural competency	Capacity building	Inclusive and participatory settings	Increased empowerment and capacity building
Mutual desire for change	Mutual understanding	Clear, continuous communication	Systems leaders	Increased implementation of evidence-based practices
	Systems thinking	Coordination of activities	Dedicated spaces for experimentation, innovation and testing	Community, practice, or policy change
		Technical assistance	Shared/consensus decision making	Increased project/collaboration sustainability
		Clear roles and responsibilities		Increased professional development opportunities
				Increased knowledge and awareness of the problem
				Increased political advocacy
				Larger social networks
				Less reliance on a central actor
				Increased trust
				Improved health outcomes