Interview Activity

Purpose

Later in the ToPPEC project (around December), you will be collecting information about the work that has been done in your county around tobacco-free county properties. You will gather some of this information by interviewing key players in the policy process. This interview activity is designed to be similar to that information collection process, and to give you some ideas about what we can learn from ToPPEC.

Instructions

County grantees will work in pairs. The person who has worked in their county tobacco program longest will be interviewed, and the other person will do the interviewing. The interviewer should write notes from the interview in the spaces provided below. We will collect these interview notes, so please write legibly ©

At each site, the facilitator will ask each interviewer for the agencies listed in the answers to Question 1. The facilitator will report back on the one or two agencies that were mentioned most often.

1.	During the early stages of the policy process (before passage), which county agencies dic
y	ou have direct contact with?

2. What other environments in your county have tobacco-free properties policies, e.g., city parks, community events, businesses, etc.?

3. Other than yourself, who was the strongest supporter in the health department for a county tobacco-free properties policy? What role did that person play in the policy process?
4. Where did you get good advice on political strategy, or how did you assess political feasibility?