COVID-19 Vaccine Ambassador Public Health Campaign UMass Chan

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OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 Vaccine Ambassador Public Health Campaign was created to promote and increase the uptake of the COVID-19 vaccines among youth and families in Worcester, Massachusetts. As the Latinx, African American, and African communities experienced the greatest burden of COVID-19 and had the lowest vaccination rates, the campaign featured trusted messengers from these communities.

KEY PARTNERS

The campaign involved a partnership among the City of Worcester's Office of Health and Human Services, the Worcester Division of Public Health Vaccine Equity Initiative, and the Prevention Research Center at UMass Chan Medical School. Several youth-serving agencies and local community coalitions also collaborated with the campaign.

CAMPAIGN

The campaign included posters, fliers, billboards, bus signs, social media posts, videos and radio announcements in English and Spanish, featuring ambassador vaccine stories with clinic information.











A 7-STEP APPROACH

and other resources!

This model features trusted messengers sharing personal vaccine stories to promote COVID-19 vaccination. We developed a toolkit describing a 7-step approach to collaboratively design and implement an evidence-based vaccine ambassador campaign with local partners. The toolkit provides guides for developing, implementing, and evaluating a public heath ambassador campaign, describes the objectives of each step, and highlights key activities that can be performed to accomplish each step.



agencies participated



RESULTS 28 million+ impressions from social media,

billboards, bus signs, radio announcements, videos, local TV, and print news



posters requested by

community agencies

flyers requested by community agencies

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