



## Linking Systems of Care Coordinator Toolkit

### Why Engage Stakeholders?

Think of two “true-to-life” stories of change efforts that impacted stakeholders... from two different perspectives. Select experiences you were directly involved with, if possible.

- Think of a time when you were on the receiving end of a change, in your home, school, congregation, community group, or workplace. What was this change? What stands out in your memory? How it was introduced? What was your initial reaction to it? How was the change ultimately incorporated into daily life, or not? What do you think might explain the success or the struggle?
  
- Think of a time when you were part of bringing a change to a community or a system. What stands out about it? How was the change designed and developed? How was it introduced? How was it received? How successful do you think the project was, and how would you explain its success or failure to get acceptance and impact?
  
- Reflection: What do these stories say about your own thinking about why it is important to engage stakeholders? What do they say about your thoughts on what to do and not to do when developing and introducing a change that you want to be embraced by stakeholders?