

GOALS



Facilitate and inform action on preventing and addressing harassment

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Share and elevate evidence-based policies and strategies for reducing and preventing sexual harassment

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Advance research on sexual harassment prevention, and gather and apply research results across institutions

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Raise awareness about sexual harassment and its consequences, and motivate action to address and prevent it

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Assess progress in higher education toward reducing and preventing sexual harassment in higher education

ACTION COLLABORATIVE ON Preventing Sexual Harassment in Higher Education

Making higher education a more safe, inclusive, and respectful place where everyone can work and learn

ABOUT US

The Action Collaborative brings together leaders from academic institutions and relevant parties to collaboratively work toward and share targeted action on addressing and preventing sexual harassment across all disciplines and among all people in higher education.



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BACKGROUND

Created in April 2019, the Action Collaborative grew out of a desire among higher education institutions to collaborate and learn from each other as they worked to act on the findings and recommendations from the National Academies' Sexual Harassment of Women report. Members of the Action Collaborative have chosen to take a leading role in preventing harassment by devoting time and resources to collaboratively identify, develop, implement, and research efforts with the overall goal of changing the organizational climates and cultures.

The Action Collaborative has informed significant policy changes, released a series of publications, developed a first of its kind resource repository, and held bi-annual meetings that draw hundreds from across the landscape of higher education.



PARTICIPANTS AND ACTIVITIES

Member Organizations: Around 50 Member Organizations provide financial support for the Collaborative, publicly share about the improvements and work within their organizations, and collaborate with each other to gather information and develop resources for the broader higher education community.

Partner Network: A Partner Network allows higher education-focused organizations to contribute to the goals of the Collaborative and to share about their individual efforts, but without the financial commitment or collaborative opportunities afforded to Members Organizations.

Advisory Committee: Appointed researchers, experts, advocates for survivors, and non-profit leaders provide advice and information to National Academies staff.

Leadership Committee: Appointed leaders from higher education guide the work of the Collaborative to ensure it reflects the realities of making organizational change in higher education.

Convening Events: Every Spring, a Members Meeting is convened to share preliminary work, challenges, and strategies for pursuing organizational change. Every Fall, a Public Summit allows those in the higher education ecosystem to discuss new research and innovative and promising approaches.

Working Groups: In response to a need for a clearer understanding of what specific practices are being developed and implemented within higher education that align with research, representatives from Member Organizations gather information and publish Issue Papers that describe the status of and key elements shaping an issue, examine and summarize the research or evidence base, examine existing practices on a key issue, and/or provide technical assessments of strategies or priorities.