



Department of
Health

Health Council Community of Practice (CoP)



A network of surgeons exploring novel techniques



A gathering of first-time managers helping each other cope



A tribe learning to survive



Band of artists seeking new forms of expression



A group of engineers working on similar problems



A clique of students defining their identity in school

What is a Community of Practice?

Groups of people who **share a concern** or a passion for something they do and **learn how to do it better** as they **interact regularly**.



Étienne Wenger

What are County Health Councils?

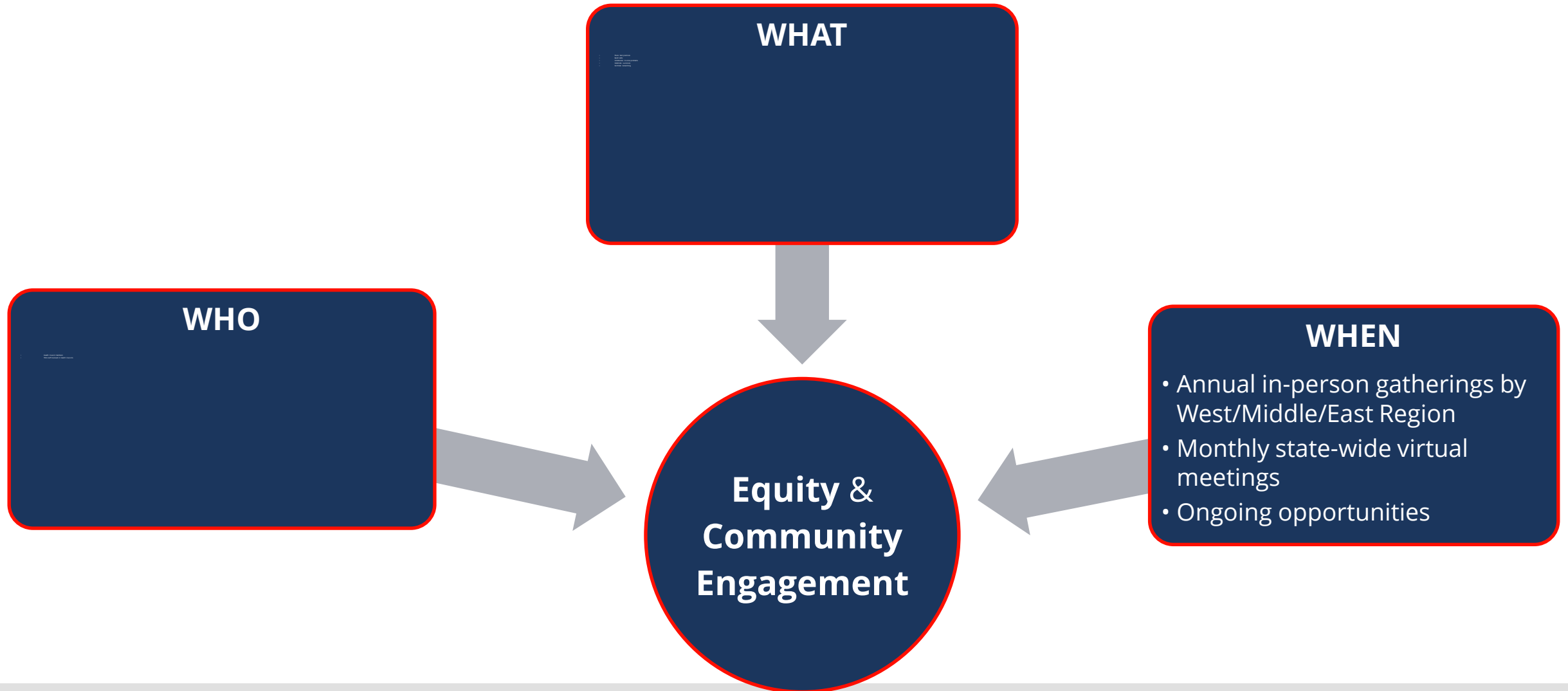
- Diverse groups of community-led, cross-sector collaborators
- Advance health priorities identified by the community
- Convened by their local health departments



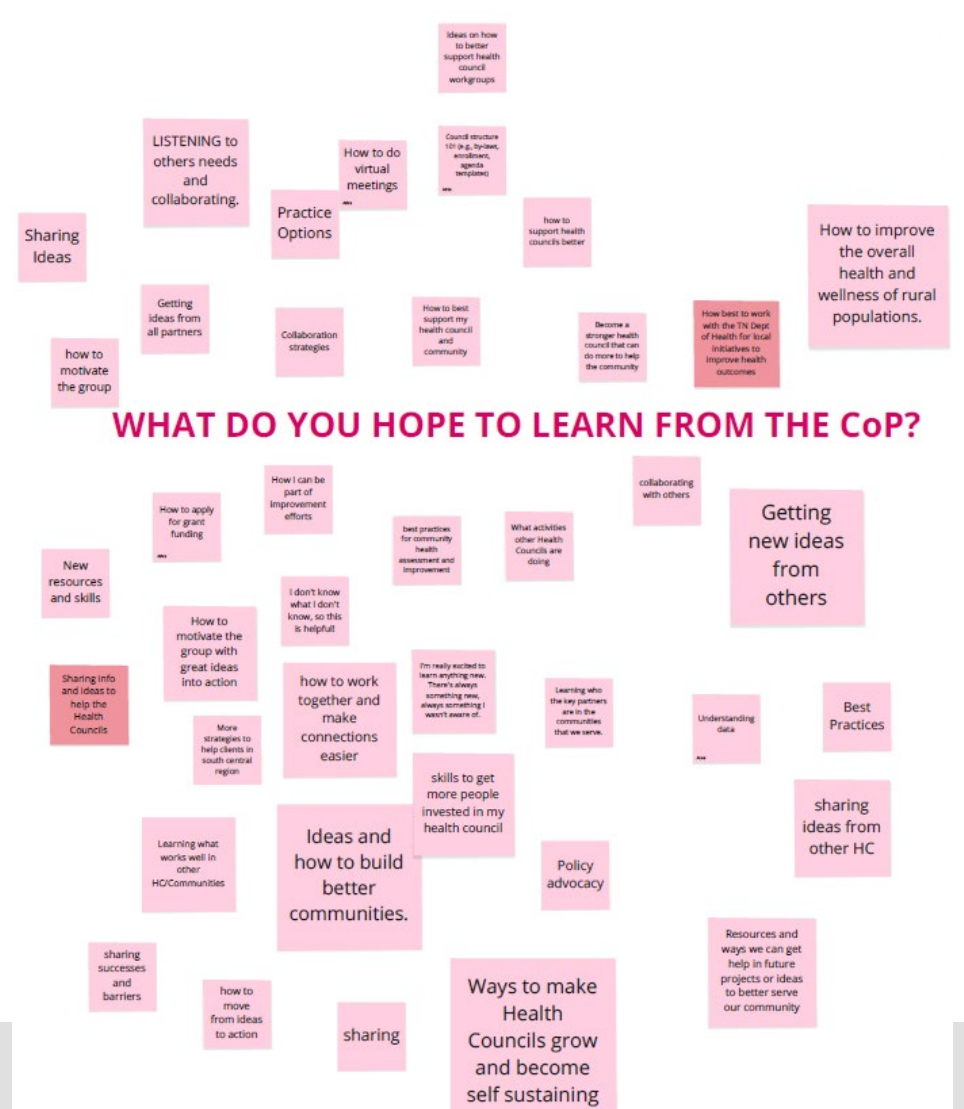
Purpose of the Health Council CoP

- **Educate** by collecting and sharing information – from experts as well as from peers
- **Support** by organizing peer-to-peer interactions and collaboration
- **Cultivate** by assisting groups to start and sustain their learning
- **Encourage** by promoting the work of members through discussion and sharing
- **Integrate** by encouraging members to use their new knowledge for real change in their own work

The CoP Model



Community Voice

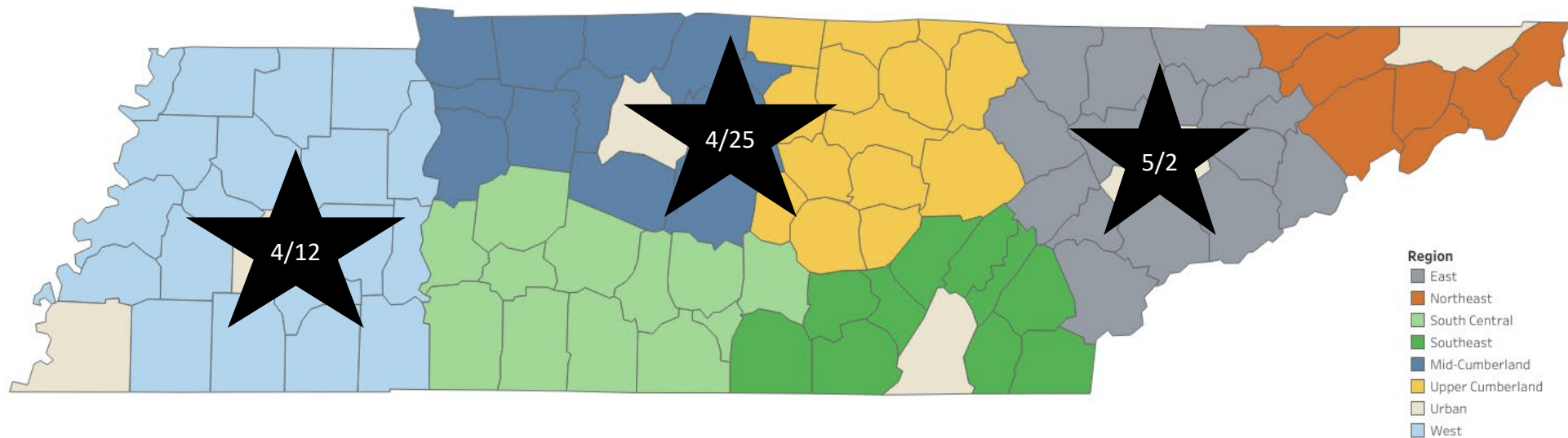


Monthly Virtual Meetings

- Health Council Spotlights
 - McMinn County: *Move with the Mayor Program*
 - Cocke County: *Garden of Eat'n*
 - Trousdale County: *Mental Health Task Force*
 - Campbell County: *Elder Abuse Awareness Campaign*
- Training/Resource Spotlights
 - Tennessee Vitality Toolkit
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CoP Spring Summits

- **West:** Friday, April 12, in Jackson
- **Middle:** Thursday, April 25, in Lebanon
- **East:** Thursday, May 2, in Knoxville

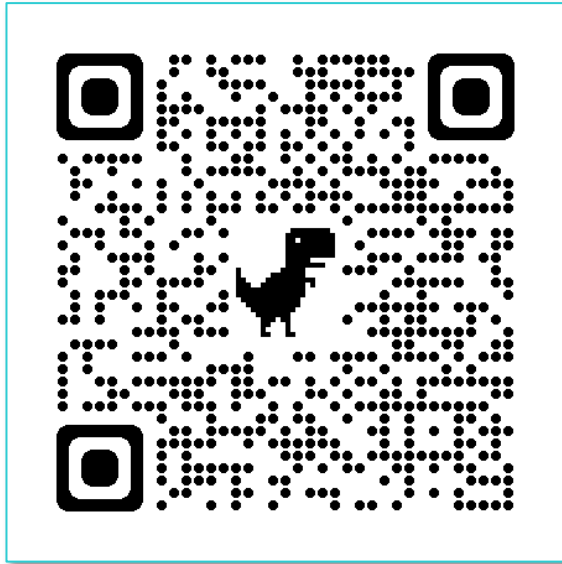


Spring Summit Agenda Items

- Networking Activities
- Poster Session featuring Heath Councils
- Appreciative Inquiry Workshop
- Breakout sessions
 - Data Walk
 - SMARTIE Goals (shout-out to AEO Coordinators!)
 - ???

Connect with us!

- Monthly Health Council newsletter (from OSI)
 - Sign up here:



- CoP Contact List
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Thank you / Questions