ASTDD has developed the following brief resources to assist State and Territorial Oral Health Programs in their collaborative efforts. They are posted on the Collaboration page of the ASTDD website.

http://www.astdd.org/collaboration/

- Opportunities for Increased Collaboration Between State Oral Health and CSHCN Programs


- Opportunities for Collaboration between State Oral Health Programs and State Medicaid-CHIP Oral Health Programs

- Opportunities for Collaboration between State Oral Health Programs and State Dental Associations to Improve Oral Health


- Strategies to Improve Collaboration Between State Oral Health Programs and CHC Oral Health Programs

- Strategies to Improve Collaboration Between State Oral Health Programs and Head Start State Collaboration Offices

- Handbook and Workbook on Planning, Evaluating, and Improving Interagency Collaboration for Oral Health Programs

Additional ones are on the way!
ASTDD collaborates with multiple organizations to accomplish its mission and projects. We define partners as "public, private and nonprofit organizations and federal agencies with which ASTDD has a strategic alliance that enhances each group’s capacity to achieve a common purpose.” In many instances we combine resources to implement joint activities. In some cases, specific liaisons have been designated. ASTDD uses the rubric below to assess its collaborative relationships with partners on an annual basis.

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| -Aware of each other’s organization and assessing fit with mission, etc
- A few members indicate interest in partnering
- Infrequent or one-way communication
- All decisions are made independently |
| - Share information to increase organizational understanding
- Leadership, designees or liaison meet to discuss activities
- Communicate on an “as needed” or more regular basis
- Most decisions are made independently |
| - Very knowledgeable about each other’s organization
- Develop some joint communications and share some resources
- Regular meetings and informal communication
- Some shared decision making |
| - Active participation in each other’s activities
- Share some resources and work together to leverage additional ones
- Frequent and active communication characterized by mutual respect and trust
- Consensus is reached on relevant decisions |

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