



SNAP-Ed Innovates During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Rhode Island SNAP-Ed helps low-income Rhode Islanders eat healthy on a budget and engage in positive nutrition and physical activity habits. During March through September 2020 of the pandemic, RI SNAP-Ed shifted priorities to meet the evolving needs of community partners and participants.

The Work → Challenge → Solution → Results

Direct Education

No face-to-face series of direct education programs allowed

Transformed programming into virtual workshops that were interactive and engaging for all ages

Series education programs to **432 participants** through **11 community partners**

Partnerships

Shifting SNAP-Ed priorities to meet the immediate needs of partners

Joined additional coalitions, work groups, & committees to assist in meeting community needs

14 new or rejuvenated partnerships with state and local community partners

Policy, Systems, & Environmental Change Interventions

Increased food access needs, but limited food options

Created resources with tips to prepare and use vegetables for community partners to provide with pre-packed food bags and boxes

Over 14,000 resources in English, Spanish and Portuguese distributed through **5 community partners**

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