

## FOCUS/DISCUSSION GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Is underage drinking a serious problem in *(name of the community/town/county)*

If yes, why?

If no, why?

### *Probes*

*Does anyone know or come in contact with underage youth that drink?*

*Has there been an alcohol-related incident (crash, death, injury) involving an underage youth?*

2. Do all youth engage in underage drinking or is it just a few?

### *Probes*

*Is underage drinking more of a problem for some young people than others?*

*Is underage drinking just a common rite of passage?*

3. What do you think causes underage drinking?

### *Probes*

*Is it the fault of parents?*

*Is it the youth?*

### *Focus/Discussion Group Questions continued*

4. Does the community send mixed messages to youth about underage drinking?

*Probes*

*Is there a lot of outdoor alcohol advertising?*

*Do adults permit underage drinking?*

5. What are the barriers to solving the problem of underage drinking?

*Probes*

*Who or what would stand in the way of effective solutions?*

*What prevents the problem from being solved now?*

6. What are your suggestions for solving the problem of underage drinking?

*Probes*

*Should there be more education in the schools?*

*Should there be stricter enforcement?*

7. What do you think your agency/organization/institution's role is in addressing the problem of underage drinking?

*Probes*

*What kinds of programs or activities does your agency/organization/institution do for youth?*

*Does our agency/organization/institution pay enough attention to the problem of underage drinking?*