

In/Tend Sprout: A Design Challenge 2026

Welcome to the application for Sprout: A Design Challenge!

1. Team Name

Tell us your team's name—be fun and creative! Team names can be a maximum of 35 characters.

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2. Team Members

Please list each team member's first and last name below. *

Team Member 1

Team Member 2

Team Member 3

3. Team Member Information *

	Pronouns	Age	Location (City, State)	Email	Phone Number (XXX-XXX-XXXX)
Team Member 1					
Team Member 2					
Team Member 3					

Logistical Team Information

4. Have any team members participated in a design challenge or hackathon before? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

5. If yes, please provide which team member(s) participated, the name of the session, and the date of participation. Separate by a comma if necessary. *

e.g., Jane Smith OpenIDEO Challenge May 4, 2023, George Lucas Hackathon for Good November 22 - 23, 2022

6. Have any team members participated in any human-centered design-related capacity-building events, such as trainings or workshops? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

7. Please provide which team member(s) participated, the name of the session, and the date of participation. Separate by a comma if necessary. *

e.g., Gianina Lopez Human-Centered Service Design Course May - April 2022

8. Have any team members participated as a sub-grantee, prime, or consultant for and/or received any innovation funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

9. We know you probably do it all, but what is your main responsibility? *

Administrative Support
Administrator/Manager
Board Member/Volunteer
Communications/Marketing Specialist
Consultant/Freelancer



Team Member 1

Curriculum Developer
Health Educator
Healthcare Provider
Policy Analyst/Advocate
Program Manager/Coordinator
Researcher
Social Worker
Student
Teacher or Other School Personnel
Technical Assistance Provider and/or Staff
Other

Team Member 2

Administrative Support
Administrator/Manager
Board Member/Volunteer
Communications/Marketing Specialist
Consultant/Freelancer
Curriculum Developer
Health Educator
Healthcare Provider
Policy Analyst/Advocate
Program Manager/Coordinator
Researcher
Social Worker
Student
Teacher or Other School Personnel
Technical Assistance Provider and/or Staff
Other

Team Member 3

Administrative Support
Administrator/Manager
Board Member/Volunteer
Communications/Marketing Specialist
Consultant/Freelancer
Curriculum Developer
Health Educator
Healthcare Provider
Policy Analyst/Advocate
Program Manager/Coordinator
Researcher
Social Worker
Student
Teacher or Other School Personnel
Technical Assistance Provider and/or Staff
Other

10. Please briefly explain why you listed "other" as your main responsibility. *

If multiple team members chose other, please format your answer as follows:

- *Team Member Name: explanation*
- *Team Member Name: explanation*

11. List each team member's organization. If you are a student or independent consultant, you can list your school or affiliation instead. Teams may be composed of individuals who come from different organizations. *

e.g., Jane Smith University of North Texas, Gianina Lopez IDEO, George Lucas Private Practice

Team Member 1

Team Member 2

Team Member 3

12. Team Members' Lived Experiences: Which perspectives are part of your team's lived experience? (Mark all that apply).

If you do not see your identity listed, select other. You will be given the opportunity to elaborate. *

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13. Please briefly explain why you selected "other."

If multiple team members chose other, please format your answer as follows:

- *Team Member Name: explanation*
- *Team Member Name: explanation*

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14. Where did you learn about this opportunity? *

- ☐ Healthy Teen Network egram
- ☐ OPA newsletter
- ☐ OPA Project Officer
- ☐ Industry event or conference
- ☐ Referral from another Innovation Hub
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Family, friend, or colleague
- ☐ Healthy Teen Network annual conference
- ☐ Former Sprout candidate or participant
- ☐ Other - Write In (Required)

15. Please read Healthy Teen Network's Guiding Principles and the In/Tend Incubator FAQ.

Do you affirm that your team's values and goals are in alignment with Healthy Teen Network and the In/Tend Incubator Hub's values and goals? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

16. Is everyone on the team willing and able to travel and fully participate for all event days in Sprout: A Design Challenge located at The Space in Providence, Rhode Island starting 1PM EST on Monday, March 9, and ending at 1PM EST on Thursday, March 12?

To be eligible to participate in Sprout: A Design Challenge, all team members must be willing and able to travel.

Teams unable to do so will be ineligible to participate and their application will be disqualified.*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

17. Each team member is fully available to participate on all event days in Sprout: A Design Challenge:*

- ☐ Monday, March 9th - 1PM-5PM EST
- ☐ Tuesday, March 10th - 9AM-5PM EST
- ☐ Wednesday, March 11th - 9AM-5PM EST
- ☐ Thursday, March 12th - 9AM-1PM EST

18. Would you like to opt in to In/Tend's email list to receive communications about opportunities and events?*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Accessibility & Dietary Needs

19. Do any team members have specific accessibility needs or considerations? If so, please describe what accommodations are needed. *

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20. Do any team members have any dietary restrictions and/or allergies? If so, please list them.

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Designated Point(s) of Contact

21. Please identify one team member as the point of contact for communication with the In/Tend Team. *

Team Member Name *

Email *

22. Please identify one team member as the fiscal point of contact.

This person will be responsible for receiving, distributing, and managing funds. This person can be the same person as the point of contact for communication. *

Team Member Name *

Email *

23. Please indicate the fiscal point of contact's full organization name here: *

24. What excites your team about the prospect of participating in Sprout: A Design Challenge?

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25. Briefly introduce each team member using any type of media you would like (e.g., poetry, collage, pictures, drawings, short videos, etc.). This response does not have to be written. We want to see your creativity!

If you have a multimedia answer, you must upload your media file answers to any publicly accessible platform, such as Google Drive via a public share link and paste the share link in the text box below. Please make sure that links to media files are publicly accessible by testing the links before submitting your application. Any link that is not accessible by the Selection Committee will be disregarded.

Here are some questions for inspiration:

- What communities or populations do you identify with (think of everything that makes you, you)?**
- What motivates you to improve adolescent sexual and reproductive health?**
- What specific skills, perspectives, or resources do you believe you bring to the team?**



26. Describe what has been the most fulfilling project or initiative that you've done as a team and why.



27. How do you plan to create an environment where every team member feels valued and encourage open communication and mutual respect? *



28. How do you handle setbacks and failures when working as a team?

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Be honest! Would you rather your team...

29. ...lean towards practical and safe ideas, or would you prefer more seemingly impractical and unconventional ideas?

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Safe Ideas

☐

Neutral

☐

Unconventional Ideas

☐

30. ... primarily stick to familiar territory, focusing on what's known and proven, or would you prefer to venture into uncharted territory, exploring new possibilities and challenges?

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Familiar Territory

☐

Neutral

☐

New Possibilities

☐

31. ...stick to the original plan and see what happens, or would you prefer to be able to pivot in response to changing circumstances?

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Stick to Original Plan

☐

Neutral

☐

Pivot

☐

32. ...stick to the initial course without changing or adjusting approaches even if the ideas are not yielding results, or would you prefer they be open to changing course and adjusting approaches even if the ideas might not yield results?

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Stick the Course

☐

Neutral

☐

Adjust Approach

☐

Last but not least...

33. What is outstanding about your team that might set you apart from others?

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