








FIM Summit: Small Group Discussion Takeaways

Collaboration, community engagement, and coordinated strategies emerged as key priorities to overcome systemic barriers, enhance resource integration, and ensure the sustainability and accessibility of FIM programs.




Data Collection & Outcome Measurement

-  Need for validated and longitudinal study designs
-  Challenges in achieving representative sampling
-  Lack of biomarker data to support findings



Barriers to Food Insecurity & Resources

-  Technology access limitations
-  Insufficient resources and fragmented organizational efforts
-  Challenges in closing eligibility gaps
-  Persistent issues related to period poverty




Community Engagement

-  Importance of cultural advocates in fostering trust and understanding
-  Community-based outreach as a key strategy for effective engagement
-  Significant role of community centers in supporting outreach efforts




Food Education & Targeting

-  Limited cooking skills and food education among certain populations
-  Need for improved targeting of underserved areas and demographics not covered by traditional eligibility criteria

Strategic Solutions

-  Developing a comprehensive playbook for action
-  Advocating for policy changes through legislative efforts
-  Identifying and leveraging diverse funding streams to support initiative

Collaboration & Coordination

-  Foster connections among organizations
-  Integrate complementary programs
-  Boost awareness through targeted community engagement and communication

Be on the lookout for our next summit in early 2025—details and invitation coming soon!