Substance Use Prevention Capacity Building:

Improving Evidence-Based Program Implementation & Policy Review Skills

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Workshop Objectives

To build your substance use prevention capacity in program implementation & policy review.





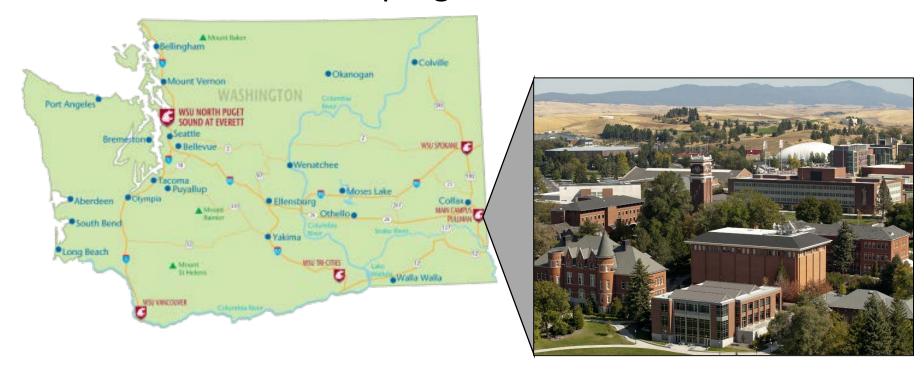
Introductions

Who is here and what can we learn from one another?



Who are we?

 Translational researchers from the interdisciplinary Prevention Science program at WSU in Pullman





Impromptu Networking

• **Goal**: Get to know your colleagues & to put the objectives of this workshop into your context.

• The Questions:

- 1) What role do you play in substance use prevention?
- 2) What do you hope to learn at this workshop?

• The Structure:

- Introduce yourself to someone new, respond to the questions (2 mins per person).
- When you the tone, introduce yourself to one more person and repeat.





Program Evaluation

The keys to implementing high quality and meaningful program evaluation.





Fidelity & Adaptation

Best practices for balancing evidence-based program fidelity with adaptation to local conditions.



Fidelity vs. Adaptation? *The Cake Metaphor*





The *Fidelity* Argument

- Best not to tinker with a proven-effective program.
- If making changes, cannot be assured to achieve same positive outcomes.

 Should take advantage of the researchers' expertise about the EBP.



The *Adaptation* Argument

• In the real-world, adaptations happen!

 Programs should be adapted to meet the unique conditions and needs of the local community.

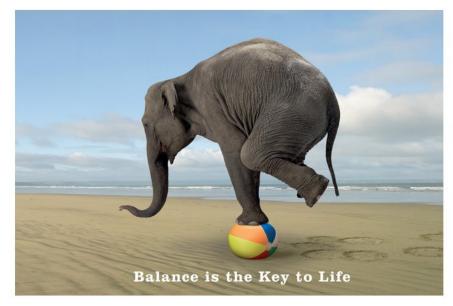
 Practitioners' expertise about local community should inform local implementation of an EBP.



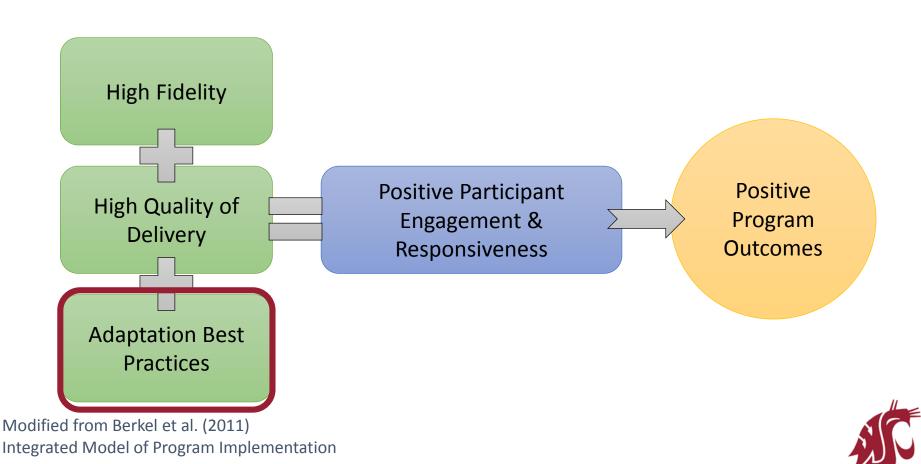
The Middle Ground

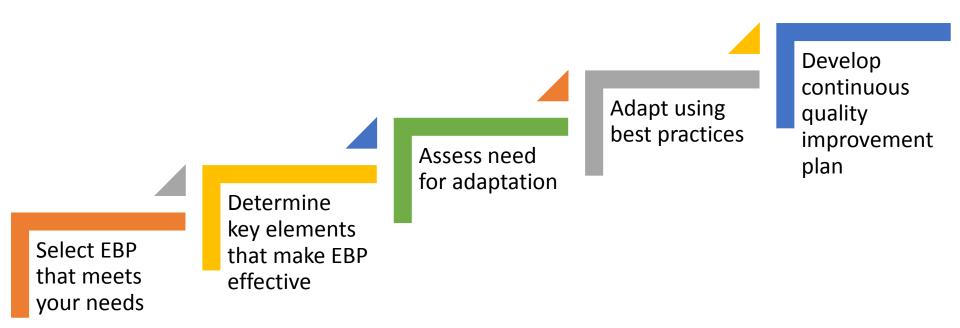
 Adaptations can occur within the context of low <u>or</u> high fidelity.

 Not all adaptations deviate from the programs' original design and theory.



Effective Program Implementation A recipe for success!





Modified and adapted from the following resources:

- Card, J. J., Solomon, J., & Cunningham (2009). How to adapt effective programs for use in new contexts. *Health Promotion Practice*, *12*, 25-35.
- O'Connor, C., Small, S. A., Cooney, S. M. (April, 2007). Program fidelity and adaptation: Meeting local needs without compromising program effectiveness. *What works, Wisconsin Research to practice series*, Issue #4.
- Kemp, L. (2016). Adaptation and fidelity: A recipe for achieving both in population scale implementation. *Prevention Science*, 17, 429-438.



What are the core ingredients, Develop methods & equipment? continuous Locally available? Adapt using quality Sustainable? best practices improvement STEP 2 Assess need plan for adaptation STEP 1 **Determine** key elements **Select EBP** that make that meets **EBP** effective

your needs



The Hexagon Tool **Exploring Context**

The Hexagon Tool can be used as a planning tool to evaluate evidencebased programs and practices during the Exploration Stage of Implementation.

See the Active Implementation Hub Resource Library http://implementation.fpg.unc.edu

EBP: 5 Point Rating Scale: High = 5; Medium = 3; Low = 1. Midpoints can be used and scored as a 2 or 4. High Med Low Need Fit Resource Availability Evidence Readiness for Replication Capacity to Implement **Total Score**

Need in agency, community, state

- · Health, human service & socially significant
- · Parent & community perceptions of need
- · Data indicating need

Capacity to Implement

- Staff meet minimum qualifications
- Sustainability
 - Staff Competencies
 - Organization
 - Leadership
 - Financial Buy-in process operationalized
 - Practitioners
 - Families

NEED

Fit with current Initiatives

- · Agency, community, state priorities
- · Organizational structures Community values

CAPACITY

Readiness for Replication

- operationalized:
 - Staff Competency

READINESS

Qualified purveyor

- Expert or TA available
- Mature sites to observe
- Several replications
- Operational definitions of essential functions
- Implementation components

 - Org. Support
 - Leadership

EVIDENCE

Evidence

- · Outcomes Is it worth it?
- · Fidelity data
- · Cost effectiveness data
- · Number of studies
- · Population similarities
- · Diverse cultural groups
- · Efficacy or Effectiveness

Resources and supports for:

- Practice Setting
- Technology supports (IT dept.)
- · Staffing
- Training
- Data Systems
- Coaching & Supervision
- · Administration & system

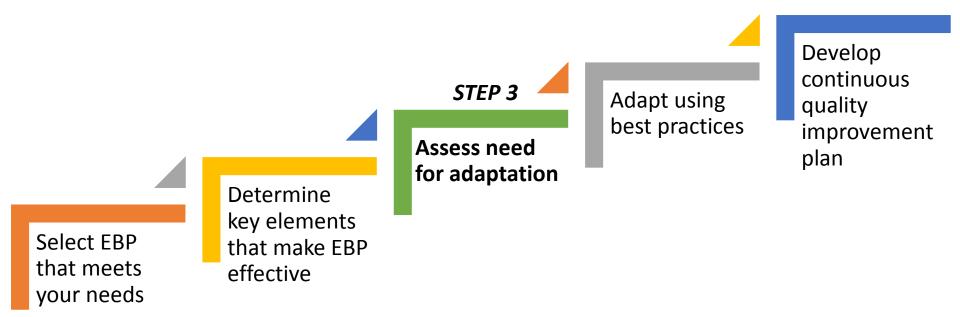
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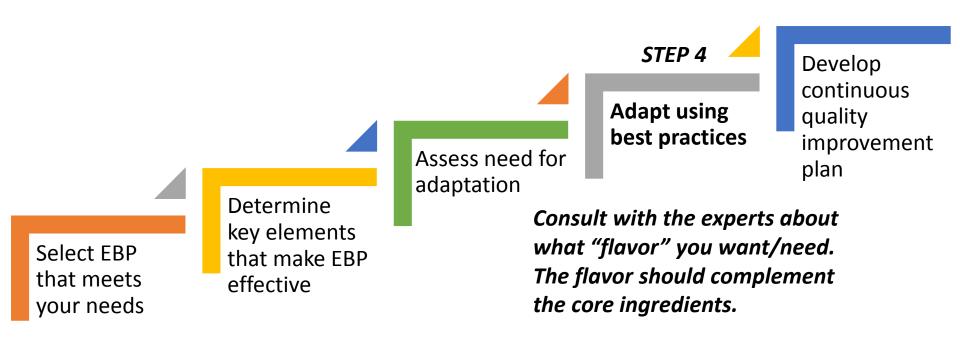
RESOURCES



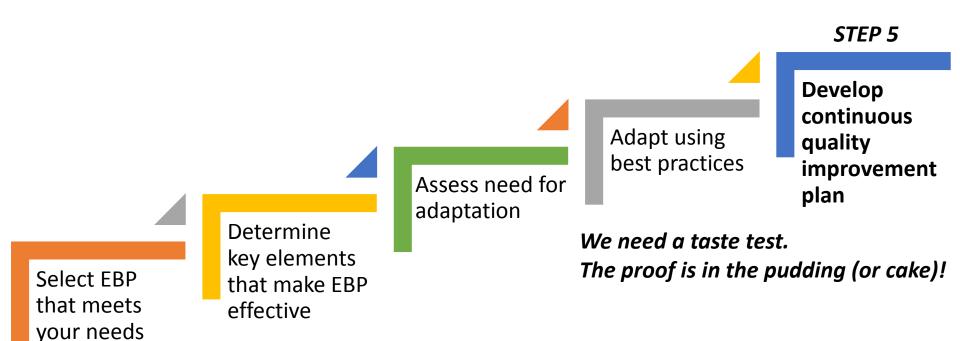
















Sustainability

Research-based strategies for assessing, planning, and building sustainability capacity.



Effective Program Sustainability: Assessing & Building Capacity





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https://sustaintool.org/



Program Sustainability Assessment Tool

To what extent does your program have or do the following?

PSAT Scale	Description
Environmental Support	Supportive internal and external climate for your program.
Funding Stability	Consistent financial base for your program.
Partnerships	Connections between your program and its stakeholders.
Organizational Capacity	Internal support and resources needed to effectively manage your program.
Program Evaluation	Assessing your program to inform planning and document results.
Program Adaptation	Taking actions that adapt your program to ensure ongoing impact.
Communication	Strategic communication with stakeholders and the public about your program.
Strategic Planning	Processes that guide your program's direction, goals, and strategies.

Effective Program Sustainability:

Assessing & Building Capacity

Prepare & Assess

- Identify key stakeholders
- Complete assessment tool

Develop Action Plan

- Assemble planning team
- Review assessment results
- Prioritize areas to address
- Write action plan

Take Action

- Implement action plan
- Reassess sustainability capacity annually



Sample Sustainability Report

https://sustaintool.org/plan

Many factors can affect sustainability, such as financial and political climates, organizational characteristics, and elements of evaluation and communication. The Program Sustainability Assessment Tool allows stakeholders to rate their programs on the extent to which they have processes and structures in place that will increase the likelihood of sustainability. Assessment results can then be used to identify next steps in building program *capacity* for sustainability in order to position efforts for long term success.

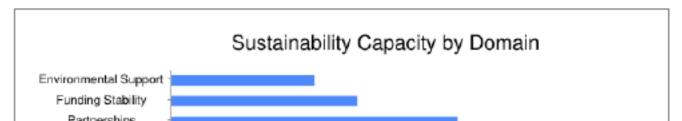
Interpreting the Results:

The table presents the average rating for each sustainability domain based on the responses that you provided. The remainder of the document presents the ratings for indicators within each domain. There is no minimum rating that guarantees the sustainability of your program. However, lower ratings do indicate opportunities for improvement that you may want to focus on when developing a plan for sustainability.

Next Steps:

- These results can be used to guide sustainability planning for your efforts.
- Areas with lower ratings indicate that there is room for improvement.
- Address domains that are most modifiable, quicker to change, and have data available to support the needed changes.
- Develop strategies to tackle the domains that may be more difficult to modify.
- Make plans to assess the sustainability of your efforts efforts on an ongoing basis to monitor changes as you strive for an ongoing impact.

Overall Capacity for	3.9
Environmental Support	3.0
Funding Stability	3.6
Partnerships	5.0
Organizational Capacity	5.0
Program Evaluation	4.0
Program Adaptation	3.0
Communications	3.8
Strategic Planning	3.6
1 = to little or no extent / 7 = to a gre	at extent



Sample Action Plan

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Sample Sustainability Action Plans

We have collected a few examples of action plans for the Environmental Support, Partnerships, and Communications domains. These come from programs operating in public health or clinical care and operating at different levels (e.g., state or community). We hope these samples can give you some direction as you write your own plan.

Environmental Support: Having a supportive internal and external climate for your program

Sustainability Objective: Identify and cultivate 1 physician and 1 senior administrator as champions for reducing hospital readmissions by January 2015.

Steps to achieve objectives: [Be very specific and include important s should be able to pick up this document what needs to happen in order to reach	and understand to be a responsible	le [What metrics will you use to tro on the completion of each step:	How will you step? Where will they come	Due date [In the appropriate quarter, enter a specific date by which the activity must be completed.]			
	ultimately ensure gets finished?]	the work		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 Identify 2 physicians and 2 senior ac are well placed to build internal sup initiative. 		n leader 4 potential champions identifie Meeting with senior leadership				July 31, 2014	
 Build relationships with them and e about importance of our initiative. I champions for our efforts. 		champions	agree to be Time				Sept 30, 2014
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