

EVALUATION

Types of Evaluation

Tip Sheet



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<p>NEEDS ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Determines what type of programs and services are required</p> <p>Learn more about the nature and magnitude of the issue and the degree to which an intervention is needed</p> <p>To what extent is a particular need being met?</p>	<p>FORMATIVE EVALUATION</p> <p>Formative evaluations are completed when we want to improve a program</p>	<p>SUMMATIVE EVALUATION</p> <p>The final judgement made about a program</p> <p>Should the program be continued? If so, at what level?</p> <p>What is the overall merit and worth of the program?</p>	<p>EVALUABILITY ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Determines program readiness for evaluation</p> <p>Determine most appropriate type of evaluation (if needed)</p> <p>Determine scope of evaluation and next steps</p>	<p>COMPLIANCE REVIEW</p> <p>Assesses the extent to which a program adheres to pre-determined criteria, procedures, standards and plans</p> <p>Assess accountability mechanisms and determine regulatory compliance</p> <p>Quality assurance and funding are the focus</p>
<p>PROCESS EVALUATION</p> <p>Provides a detailed description of design and logic, outcomes, current functioning and priorities alignment</p> <p>Determines the extent by which a program has been implemented</p> <p>What issues have surfaced during implementation that need to be addressed?</p>	<p>PROGRAM REVIEW</p> <p>Determines how to improve program design and delivery in a re-balanced fiscally constrained environment</p> <p>Find efficiencies, cost savings, opportunities for re-alignment or other options, using clear criteria</p>	<p>EFFICIENCY ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Determines extent to which a program achieved sufficient benefits and performance results relative to costs of similar programs</p> <p>What is the relationship between program costs and outcomes?</p>	<p>DEVELOPMENTAL EVALUATION</p> <p>Refers to long-term partnering relationships between evaluators and innovators</p> <p>Along the emergent path, evaluators help shape the innovators' design for the program</p>	<p>IMPACT EVALUATION</p> <p>Does the program contribute to or produce the intended improvements in the condition it was designed to address?</p> <p>What is the impact of the program or policy on the intended population?</p> <p>Are there any unintended outcomes or effects to be addressed?</p>

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