## Community Benefit 101





# Our Evaluation Journeys...







## Energizer



#### Let's get moving if ...

- You're currently in the time zone you live in
- You have a pet
  - Your pet is a dog
  - Your pet is a cat
  - You have a different pet
- You have been out of the country
- You have done evaluation work before



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## Purpose of Evaluation



- •Improve programs and strategies
- Help others **replicate** programs
- Ensure effective use of resources
- Obtain additional funding
- Inform policy decisions
- Demonstrate impact

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## Mission Imperative



#### Evaluation ensures that community benefit programs are:

- · Reaching those in need
- · Providing value
- · Supporting the community's well-being
- Utilizing resources wisely
- · And addressing critical priorities

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## **CDC Evaluation Framework**



#### Plan:

- Engage stakeholders
- Describe the program
- Focus evaluation design

#### Implement:

· Gather credible evidence

#### **Analyze and Use Findings:**

- Justify conclusions
- · Ensure use and share lessons learned



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#### CDC Framework: Plan



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- Engage: People, organization, decisionmakers
- Describe: Understand the program's purpose or goal
- Focus: More on this in a minute!

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# CDC Framework: Implement



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- Limited resources (staff, expertise, funding)
- Shared data collection (partner commitment, reliability of data)

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# CDC Framework: Analyze & Use Findings



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   Analyze and Use Findings:
- Justify conclusions
- Ensure use and share lessons learned
- Justify conclusions based on evaluation data
- Analyze and use findings to inform program decisions and actions

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# CDC Framework: Focus on Evaluation Design 🕒



#### Overview:

- Determine evaluation purpose
- Identify evaluation questions
- · Determine indicators based on your questions
- Design your evaluation

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## **Evaluation Design: Determine Purpose**



## What is the purpose of evaluating your program?

- Determine whether your program should be expanded or replicated
- Demonstrate impact of actions to address a health need
- Show how a program increased community members' access to services

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# Evaluation Design: Identify Program Aspects



Use the evaluation purpose to focus the evaluation

- If you want to replicate, you'll want to know if the original program was faithful to the key components
- If you want to meet IRS requirements, you need to determine what information will demonstrate impact of actions on a health need

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# Evaluation Design: ID Evaluation Questions



What do we want to know?

"...program evaluation is about asking and answering questions about whether the program did what you said it was going to do."

Evaluating Your Community Benefit Impact, CHA, 2015 edition

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# **Evaluation Design: Process Questions**



#### Process questions relate to the program implementation

- Were the program's activities carried out as planned?
- How well were the activities implemented?
- · Was the target audience reached?
- · Are participants satisfied with what they gained from the program?
- Were we faithful to the model we were replicating?
- · What problems were encountered?

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# **Evaluation Design: Outcomes Questions**



Outcomes (or impact) questions focus on what changed as a result of the program and whether the program achieved goals:

- Knowledge increase? Behavior change? Acquired skill?
- Did health or clinical outcomes change?
- · Was there early detection of disease?
- Was disease prevented?
- How well does the program respond to the issue it's addressing?

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# Evaluation Design: Indicators



#### **Process Indicators:**

- # of fliers distributed
- · # of classes held
- # of people reached
- Level of participant satisfaction

#### **Outcome Indicators:**

- Change in participant knowledge
- · Change in behavior
- Change in health status

How will you know it?

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## No Evaluation Framework in Place...?





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# Identify What You Know and What You Want to Know





#### Consider what you know <u>already</u>:

- · What resources are invested in the program?
- What are the program's activities? Who are participants?
- What is the program's purpose or goal?
- What are the program's objectives? Anticipated outcomes?

#### Determine what you would like to know:

- Identify your evaluation's purpose
- · Confirm what will be evaluated; define "program success"

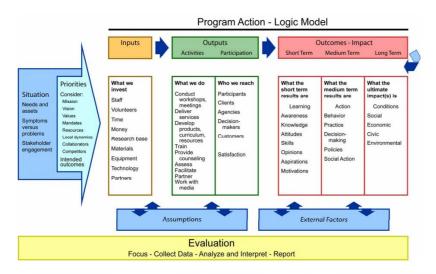
**Reminder**: identify + engage stakeholders from the start!

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## Logic Model

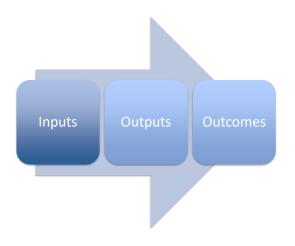




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## **Build Your Logic Model**





Logic model templates available through
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Wisconsin – Extension

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## **Identify Available Data**



- Keep in mind your evaluation budget and resources
- Determine types of data sources available (and their time periods)
  - Program records
  - Attendance records
  - Observations
  - Surveys
  - · Morbidity/mortality data sources
- Consider comparisons that can be made with the data (e.g., pre/post)
- Identify new data that can be collected

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# Continue to Use the CDC Framework!



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## • Implement:

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## Analyze and Use Findings:

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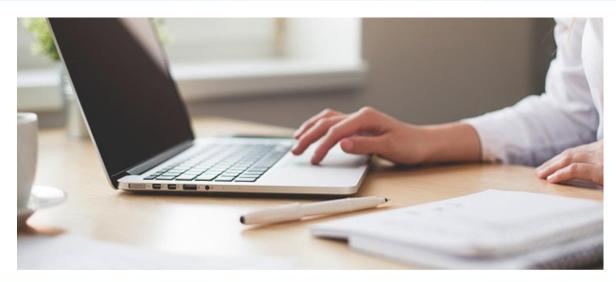
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# Reporting Impact in the CHNA Report





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## Reporting Requirements



Tax-exempt hospitals must include in their current CHNA reports an evaluation of the impact of programs or activities taken to address significant health needs identified in the immediately preceding CHNA

#### **Example:**

Students and parents who participated in the asthma education program increased their knowledge about asthma and how to control it. The students participating in the program experienced significantly fewer school absences. While their ED use did not decrease significantly in the first year, it did decrease significantly in years two and three after changes were made to the program to increase parent participation.

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## Tip: Refer to Your Logic Model



INPUTS	OUTPUTS (A	ctivities)	OUTCOMES (Results)						
(Resources)	Activities	Participants	Short	Medium	Long				
<ul> <li>2 RNs</li> <li>Teaching materials</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nurses teach asthma curriculum</li> <li>Hands on experience using inhalers</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Nurses</li><li>Students</li><li>Parents</li></ul>	Increased knowledge about asthma management	Improved school attendance	Reduced ED visits due to asthma episodes				

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## See Evaluation Guide for More Details



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#### **Implement:**

Gather credible evidence

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## **Evaluation Is Valuable**



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# Program evaluation is useful – and feasible!

#### Leverage **resources**:

- Public health school
- Local health department
- · Community partners
- Peer network
- Online

I can't tell you how valuable your program is





I can



Evaluator



# Collaboration at Every Step

A case-study on evaluating cross-sector partnerships

Rachel Smith, MPH
Providence Health & Services – Community Health Division



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# What is a Community Resource Desk?







## Services and Workflows



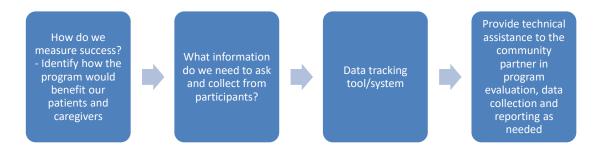
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Food	Education Classes	Alcohol and Drug Recovery
Clothing	Counseling	Tobacco Cessation
Transportation	Health Insurance	Other

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# **Evaluation Design**



We began the planning in January 2015 and wanted to have key evaluation metrics and data collection methodology in place before "going live" (i.e. serving clients) in April



# Engaging stakeholders



- Identify who your stakeholders are, for planning, operations and evaluation (sometimes they can be the same)
- We assembled an evaluation team comprised of the following:
  - Community Partner (both operational and QA team)
  - Community Health Division
  - Contracted evaluation resource
  - Physician champion with QA responsibilities and passion for seeking new ways to address social determinants of health in the clinic setting
- Executive Sponsor

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## **Data Collection**



				Primary Contact In	formation		Household Demographic Information  der Race/Ethnicity # Adults   # Children Language   Client Zip   Income   %FPL   Source   Insurance   Location   CRI					Resource Follow Up 1				Resource Follow Up 2 s Resource 2 7-day 30-day Cnxn Barriers									
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# What do we want to see?



#### **Process:**

#### Measure #1:

Service referral completions (# individuals served)

#### Objective #1

Understand the SDH needs of clients (# needs identified)

#### **Outcomes:**

#### **Objective #2**

Assess successful connections to resources and client satisfaction with resources

#### **Objective #3**

Assess the **impact of receiving resources** on client self-efficacy

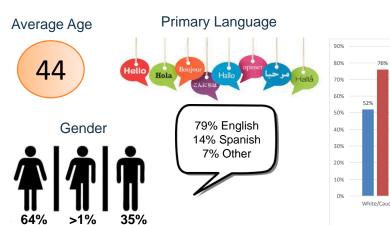
#### **Objective #4**

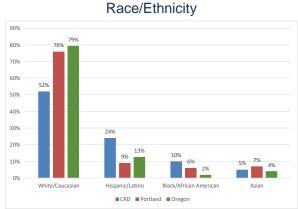
Understand **provider knowledge and comfort** discussing SDH resources

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# Use data to tell your story



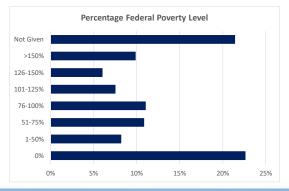


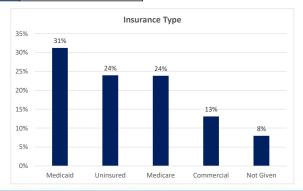


# Use data to tell your story



Clients Served							
# Clients 10,668							
Individuals benefiting (based on HH size)							
# Adults and children	24,037						

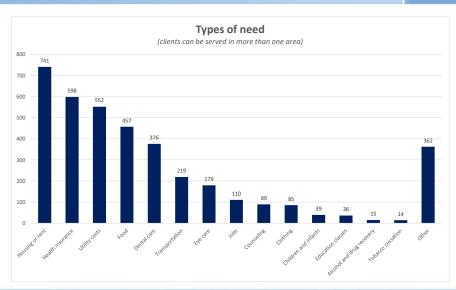




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# **Displaying Data**





## Client Feedback



Able to connect with needed help	n	%
Strongly Agree	77	42%
Agree	83	45%
Disagree	18	10%
Strongly Disagree	6	3%

Satisfaction with the connection process	n	%			
Very Satisfied	71	38%			
Satisfied	95	51%			
Dissatisfied	12	6%			
Very Dissatisfied	7	4%			

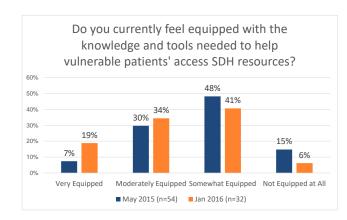
"This was life-changing for me, I was able to prevent eviction due to the rental assistance I received. I went back to the desk for the resource list and have been sharing it with others."

"I wish more social service type agencies treated people like people." "I had about given up before I went to the Resource Desk. They really plugged me into the services I needed."

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## Provider Feedback



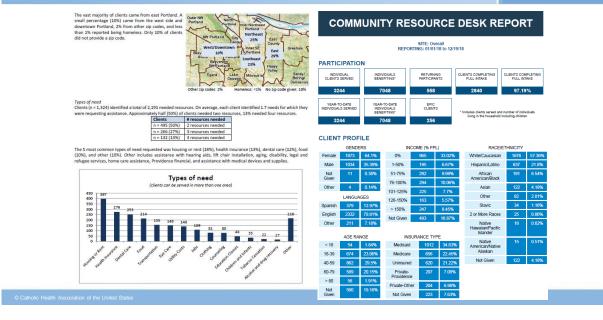


"I finally feel empowered to focus on medicine because I'm confident that I have somebody more expert than myself and our overwhelmed social workers who is able to find resources for our patients."

"It makes me feel like there is more trust in the relationship and they [the patients] have a feeling that I'm meeting them where they are and I'm understanding the things that they are most concerned about as opposed to just addressing what I want to address like childhood developmental milestones."

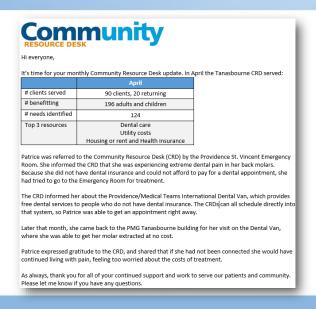
# Data Sharing Strategies - Reports





## Data Sharing Strategies - Stories





#### Lessons Learned



#### Logistically

- Start small and modify your approach as you learn what works (and what doesn't)
- Collect and share different types of data both individual and aggregate
- Feel free to dive in and contextualize the numbers
- Partners may need funding, training and/or technical assistance to increase their capacity to collect and report out on data

#### **Operationally**

- Weekly/monthly client volumes drove a location change in year one
- A combination of process and outcome measures are crucial
- Use your data to drive change
  - · Internal spread
  - · Diversified/sustainable funding
  - · Policy changes

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## Online Resources



**CHA** resources: <a href="https://www.chausa.org/communitybenefit/communitybenefit/communitybenefit/">https://www.chausa.org/communitybenefit/communitybenefit/communitybenefit/</a>

#### **CDC** Program Evaluation:

- Framework: https://www.cdc.gov/eval/framework/index.htm
- WISEWOMAN Program Evaluation Toolkit: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/wisewoman/evaluation\_toolkit.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/wisewoman/evaluation\_toolkit.htm</a>
- Program Evaluation Self-Study Guide: https://www.cdc.gov/eval/guide/index.htm

**University of Wisconsin – Extension** Logic Models: <a href="https://fyi.uwex.edu/programdevelopment/logic-models/">https://fyi.uwex.edu/programdevelopment/logic-models/</a>

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# Online Resources (continued)



CDC Community Health Improvement Navigator – **Database of Interventions:** <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/chinav/database/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/chinav/database/index.html</a>

CDC Community Guide: <a href="https://www.thecommunityguide.org/">https://www.thecommunityguide.org/</a>

**County Health Rankings and Roadmaps:** 

https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/

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