

Building a resource hub to support the evaluation component for agency annual program plans
Algoma Public Health

Resources invested	Activities	Target Audience	Outputs	Expected Short-term outcomes	Methodology Used	Short-term outcomes Results
<p>-Implication of one staff member for the intervention's implementation. -Approximate time invested in the intervention's implementation: 70 hours. -Cost: In kind</p>	<p>An evaluation resource hub was implemented.</p>	<p>Staff and managers involved in program planning in the agency</p>	<p>An evaluation resource hub was implemented using feedback from a selected advisory team to support resource appropriateness and usefulness</p>	<p>-To improve the completion rate of the agency program plan evaluation section during the planning cycle. -To improve staff's comfort level with evaluation related to program planning during the 2017 planning cycle. -To facilitate the sharing of resources by program planning staff and managers during the 2017 planning cycle.</p>	<p>Mixed Methods Research Design. Content analysis was conducted on completed program plans by using an analysis grid. Additionally, a survey was administered to determine staff ease with completing the program planning evaluation section. Evaluation resource hub access measured using SharePoint analytics.</p>	<p>Findings showed that the evaluation hub was accessed 60 times by 15 unique staff. The percentage of program plans with completed evaluation sections remained similar compared to the previous template completion. However, this might be a positive finding as the unit was using a more complex evaluation section than compared to the previous template. Not much sharing occurred between planning staff. It is difficult to assess the positive outcomes due to the absence of true baseline data.</p>
<p>Reported factors influencing on implementation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The unit has many staff members with strong leadership, especially in research. However, lack of specialized staff in evaluation. - Most of the staff is located in one building which can make it easier to promote a project, or to set up activities related to evaluation. - Promotion of the Hub among the staff was difficult because it took place during a busy time of the year. 					