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Identification that the project is EBP

Case made that project is needed in the setting (ie, gap analysis)

Project is a 'practice change' applied to a population

Sufficient evidence that practice change is safe & effective (critiquing, rating & grading the evidence)

Benchmark chosen is realistic and

a) linked to setting need

b) to other available effective evidence (i. e., in other settings indicator improved 30%)

Project process when proposed describes

a) key stakeholders

b) timeline

c) communication plan

d) education plan (if needed)

e) sustainability plan

f) evaluation plan

Evaluation work

Practice change evaluated relative to benchmark using percent change or control chart only

Cost/benefit analysis provided

Sustainability plan evaluated (if time permits)

Lessons learned

Summary of project

Future recommendations

Terminology appropriate for EBP – avoiding research terminology