

Questions to Ask When Selecting Evidence-based Programs

Place a  in any box that you can answer yes to.

Program Quality	Program Match	Organizational Resources
Look at the quality of the program and the evidence to prove it's effectiveness.	Look at how well the program fits your purpose, target audience, your organization and the community.	Assess if you have the expertise, staff, financial support and time available to implement the program.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Has the program been shown to be effective? <input type="checkbox"/> Is the program listed on any respected evidence-based program registries? What rating(s) has it received? <input type="checkbox"/> What audience has the program been found to work for and is this your age group? <input type="checkbox"/> Does the program allow for adaption? <input type="checkbox"/> Will the developer do the training? <input type="checkbox"/> Does the developer offer Technical Assistance? <input type="checkbox"/> Are the opinions and experience of others who have used this program positive? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Do the programs goals and objectives reflect what you hope to achieve? <input type="checkbox"/> Do the goals match the intended participants? <input type="checkbox"/> Does the program have sufficient length and intensity to be effective? <input type="checkbox"/> Do we have the time commitment the program requires? <input type="checkbox"/> Has this program demonstrated effectiveness with a target population similar to mine? <input type="checkbox"/> Will this program compliment any existing programs? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Can we afford the costs for training, curriculum and implementation? <input type="checkbox"/> Can we afford to implement this program now and in the long term? <input type="checkbox"/> Does the staff have the qualifications recommended or required to facilitate the program? <input type="checkbox"/> Would our staff be enthusiastic about a program of this kind and are they willing to make the necessary time commitment? <input type="checkbox"/> Can this program be implemented in the time available? <input type="checkbox"/> What's the likelihood that this program will be sustained in the future? <input type="checkbox"/> Would the community support this effort?
Other Questions to Consider		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What costs are associated with the program? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will I need to adapt this program? • Will adaption affect the program effectiveness? 	