

# Questions to Ask When Selecting Evidence-based Programs

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

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