

The Hexagon: An Exploration Tool

The **Hexagon** can be used as a planning tool to guide selection and evaluate potential practices for use.

GRANTEE INDICATORS

CAPACITY TO IMPLEMENT

Staff meet minimum qualifications

Able to sustain staffing, coaching, training, data systems, performance assessment, and administration

- Financially
- Structurally
- Cultural responsiveness capacity

Buy-in process operationalized

- Practitioners
- Families

FIT WITH CURRENT INITIATIVES

Alignment with community, regional, state priorities

Fit with family and community values, culture and history

Impact on other interventions & initiatives

Alignment with grantee's organizational structure

NEED

Target population identified

Disaggregated data indicating population needs

Parent & community perceptions of need

Addresses service or system gaps

PRACTICE INDICATORS

EVIDENCE

Strength of evidence—for which children in what settings?

- Number of studies
- Head Start context
- Diverse cultural groups
- Efficacy or effectiveness

Outcomes – Is it worth it?

USABILITY

Well-defined practice

Successful grantees to observe

Several replications

Adaptations for context

SUPPORTS

Expert Assistance

Staffing

Comprehensive professional development

Data systems

Technology supports (IT)

Administrative systems

