Education: Are We Making an Impact for Dogs?

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The four pillars of HBC

- The process of change
- The psychology of change
- The environment for change
 - Ownership of change

In: Individuals, Communities, the Masses





Outline

- ➤ Why monitor and evaluate?
 - **→**Planning
 - ➤ What tools can we use?
- ➤ Most Significant Change Approach





Why wouldn't we monitor and evaluate our education work?

- "Too difficult?"
- "Difficult to get responses"
- "Too many other factors ..."





10 reasons why we should

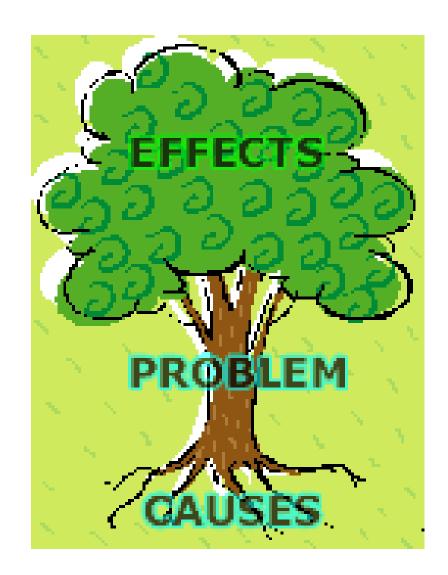
- 1. Clarify objectives and determine strategies
- 2. Assess impacts
- 3. Show accountability
- 4. Gain support
- 5. Grant forms!
- Identify examples that will move the program forward





8. Set a good example, and show dedication and innovation9. Learn from mistakes/research10. Self motivation!

The Problem Tree





The assumption trap

➤ Why did they de-flea the dog?

Person A: Has a flea allergy

Person B: Has visitors arriving

Person C: Dog has flea allergy

Person D: Loves hygiene

Person E: Hates a scratchy dog





Before you start - Research



What's the plan? Need to know from the start:

- ✓ Baselines
- ✓ Desk based stage
- ✓ Focus groups
- ✓ Participatory research
- ✓ KAP assessments:

Knowledge Attitude Practices

✓ Positive deviants/Bright spots

What should be on your dashboard?



What to evaluate?

- Outputs measure & report on activities and products
- 2. Outcomes short, medium & long-term outcomes.





What are indicators?

Statements you select that describe **how you know** that your aims are being achieved.

Make them as SMART as possible.





Tools

- √ KAP analysis
- ✓ Most Significant Change
 - ✓ Questionnaires
 - ✓ Participatory activities
 - ✓ Semi-structured or structured interviews





Which aspects of an education program can be measured? – KAP analysis

<u>Knowledge</u> – What do they know?

Attitudes – What do they think & feel?

Behaviour/practice – What do they do?

Before AND After





Measuring behaviour change

- Input-based indicators
- Animal-based indicators
- Data about the community activities
- Community-based monitoring
- Stories and anecdotes MSC
- Exercises about changing attitudes, knowledge, etc.
- Change at community level







Tools for information capture

Data collection?

- ➤ Use a variety of methods
- **>** Unbiased results
- >Strengthens proof
- Results are not always what is expected!





<u>Tests</u>: Easy &efficient, but intimidating for audience, cheating is possible & limited by context.

<u>Feedback</u>: Can be biased, requires systematic approach.

Interviews: Good KAP assessment, but time consuming and need coding.

<u>Questionnaires</u>: Informed consent; Choose questions carefully; Requires careful planning & testing.

<u>Participatory work:</u> "Tell me and I forget, show me and I remember, involve me and I truly understand"



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We remember:

10 % of what we read

20 % of what we hear

30 % of what we see

50 % of what we see and hear

80 % of what we say

and 90 % of what we say and do.

(Chambers, 2002)





Chambers, R., 2002. *Participatory workshops: a sourcebook of 21 sets of ideas and activities*. Earthscan.

Most Significant Change - MSC





Why the demand for stories?





Lucy's story:

a second

chance at life

What's the difference with MSC?



Still collecting engaging stories but framed by change you want to make

Implementing MSC

- 1. Raise interest
- 2. Define domains
- 3. Define reporting period
- 4. Collect SC stories
- 5. Select the most significant change
- 6. Feedback on selection



- 7. Verify change; true and sustained
- 8. Quantify within story and number of stories reflecting the same change
- 9. Secondary analysis; themes/ patterns across all stories
- 10. Review and revise the system



Why might MSC be beneficial?

- ✓ Can identify unexpected changes especially if include 'other' domain
 - ✓ Opportunity to identify and refine values of all stakeholders and conceptualise 'impact'
 - ✓ Encourages analysis instead of just collection
 - ✓ Participatory approach which requires no special professional skills
- ✓ Rich picture of both need and success good for fundraisers
 - ✓ Supporters get an accurate picture of what we really do
- ✓ Motivating for programme implementers to describe these stories within the concept of M&E





What if it doesn't work?

If follow-up data does not indicate long-term success, have you failed?

Use it as a learning process

Encourage feedback

Look at the results - what is working and what needs tweaking?

Do you need to reconsider the objectives?





Last slide!

Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation is essential for any program
 Any M&E is better than none - just try!
 Utilize the community of like-minded people
 Slow progress is still progress
 Maintain long-term vision and embrace small steps
 Keep it up, do your follow-up
 Anyone can do it!



