

Solution Evaluation Worksheet – Health & Wellness Work Group

Explanation of Evaluation Criteria:

Importance – is this proposed solution a priority right now? Are there more pressing solutions to this problem that, in your assessment, take precedence over this solution? Please indicate a score of low, medium, or high. A score of “low” signifies that this is a solution of minor importance while a score of “high” indicates that this solution is very important and addresses pressing concerns.

Reach – asks how much of the population of older adults in Orange County will this impact? Please indicate a score of low, medium, or high. A score of “low” signifies that the solution will impact a limited number of people (for example, only residents in a certain neighborhood). A score of “high” indicates that this solution will have an impact on all Orange County older adults.

Equity – asks if this solution specifically addresses the needs of particular subgroups of the population (i.e. certain income levels, vulnerable populations, Medicaid recipients, refugees, etc.)? Please indicate a score of low, medium, or high. A score of “low” signifies that this solution does not specifically address the needs of a particular subgroup(s). A score of “high” indicates that this solution will have a significant impact on the needs of a particular subgroup(s).

Feasibility – asks how difficult will this project be to implement? Does it require a lot of political will or advocacy? Does it require a lot of staff, resources, funds, and/or expertise? Are there existing programs, services, or organizations that it can be incorporated into? If funds are needed, is funding available? Please indicate a score of low, medium, or high. A score of “low” signifies that this solution will be difficult and/or challenging to implement while a score of “high” indicates that this solution can be implemented with minimal difficulty, perhaps because it draws upon existing resources and/or has a lot of community support.

Efficacy – asks how effective this solution is at addressing the problem listed above. There are a number of questions you could ask that may or may not be relevant to a particular solution: Does it have an impact in addressing the entirety of the problem or does it just make a small dent? Has this solution been shown to be effective in other places? Among the solutions we have identified to address this problem, are there other solutions that may be more effective? Does it create long-lasting, sustainable change (for example, a far reaching policy)? Please indicate a score of low, medium, or high. A score of “low” signifies that this solution is mildly effective while a score of “high” indicates that this solution is very effective in addressing the problem stated above.

ST, MT, LT – stands for short-term, medium-term, and long-term. Please indicate whether you believe this is a short-term (ST) solution (within one year), medium-term (MT) solution (two to five years), or long-term solution (greater than five years).

Agency Responsible – asks which agency, individual, or organization should be responsible and/or involved with the implementation of this solution. You may list more than one. You may also indicate that the creation of a new organization or group is necessary.