QRS Evaluation Design and Measurement Issues

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Evaluation and Design Issues

- Identifying clear evaluation goals and research questions

- Matching a design to these objectives and requirements for rigor

- Timing and focus of the evaluation depending on phase of implementation

Rigorous Designs by QRS Implementation Stage

- **Planning/early implementation phase--Pilot or small-scale start up can use random assignment with some providers getting QRS supports in year 1 and the rest of the providers in year 2**

- **Mid-stage or mature implementation--State-wide or municipality-wide implementation QRS can use random assignment as refinements or changes are implemented—QRS versus QRS+**

Questions for Discussion

- **What are the main questions that drive your research agenda?**

- **What are the pros and cons of the designs you considered/are using/have in place?**

- **What types of technical assistance could you use for evaluation design and methodology?**