

National Common Foster Grandparent Program Performance Measures

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Learning Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand common performance measures; their benefits and uses
- Review the background for creating common FGP performance measures
- Discuss content of the packets; learn how to use packets
- Practice working with raw data and reporting



Background

- What happened?
- Why did this happen?
- Who was involved?
- What exactly came out of the effort?
- What's the status of the effort?

What happened?

Common performance measures

Developed work plans and instruments measuring results related to:

- Head START
- Pre-school
- Elementary education (literacy)
- Mentoring



Why did this happen?

- Why use common performance measures?
- What are the benefits?



Why did this happen?

Some Common Performance Measure Benefits

- Lower burden for individual FGP
- Able to speak of “critical mass” results; Improve opportunities to report at regional and state level
- Increase ability to go after and secure funding at regional or state level
- Increase media attention



Who was involved?

Working Group

- Sherry Black, TN
- Denise Nelsen, IA
- Kristen Tracy, ID
- Jane Watkins, FL
- Vicki Hover-Williamson, CNCS
- Linda Esah, CNCS
- Nathan Dietz, CNCS
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What exactly came out of the effort?

1. Work plan

- Community Need (how to localize)
- Results (outputs, intermediate outcomes, end outcomes)

2. Instruments and Instructions

3. Instructions for Summarizing results

4. Recommended data analysis and reporting

What's the status of the effort?

- In draft format, posted on The Resource Center, April 2008
- CNCS headquarters and project director committee reviewing common performance measures





Exercise

Experience with the Material

In pairs:

1. Review Assignment Plans and complete the summary tool using raw data for 5 children
2. Enter totals in summary sheet
3. Complete report statement D
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4. Respond to questions and report out



Individual Reflection

Taking it Home

- Consider how you might use common performance measures for your project.
- Jot down ideas.

Contacts for Common FGP Performance Measures

The Resource Center

www.nationalservice.gov/resources

Search: *Optional Foster Grandparent Program work plans*

Questions on Common FGP PMs? Contact:

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