

CANADIAN EVALUATION SOCIETY PROJECT IN SUPPORT OF ADVOCACY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OUTPUTS AT A GLANCE

Needs Assessment Outputs

- Description of unmet needs

Evaluability Assessment Outputs

- Description of program design and logic
- Articulation of standards for performance or criteria for success
- Description of the context of the program
- Determination of readiness for/appropriateness of evaluation

Process Evaluation Outputs

- Description of program implementation
- Comparison of actual events with the program plan or performance standards
- Explanations of why implementation has deviated from the plan

Outcome/Impact Evaluation Outputs

- Description of program outcomes
- Identification of unexpected/unwanted outcomes
- Attributions linking outcomes to specific interventions
- Identification of factors that affect the effectiveness of an intervention
- Determination of merit or worth

Efficiency Assessment Outputs

- Description of program costs
- Estimation of the value of program outcomes
- Comparison of value for money

Outputs of Stakeholder Involvement

- Involvement of stakeholders in some or all evaluation activities
- Integration of the evaluation with the customs the stakeholders' or the program's culture
- Consultation with stakeholders to solicit their views of the program
- Sharing of results with stakeholders
- Positive relationships between the evaluator and the program stakeholders
- New partnerships
- On-the-project training in evaluation for program managers and other stakeholders

Outputs Spanning all Types of Evaluation

- Performance indicators and indicator systems
- Evaluation tools
- New questions about the program
- Syntheses of previous research
- Suggestions of good practices
- Recommendations