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## Supporting Evidence-Based Home Visiting to Prevent Child Maltreatment

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### Publications Guidelines and Committee

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# Guideline Development Committee

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- **Local evaluators**
  - Christi Bergin (OH), Laura Denton (TN C&F), Mark Innocenti (UT), Melanie Lutenbacher (SC), Ron Seifer (RI), Jane Silovsky (OK), and Julie Spielberger (IL)
- **Cross-site evaluation**
  - Kim Boller and Jess Galin (Mathematica)
- **NDACAN**
  - Elliott Smith
- **ACF**
  - T'Pring Westbrook, Melissa Brodowski, and Lauren Kass



# Session Activities

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- **Describe purpose**
- **Summarize key features of the guidelines, committee, and review process**
- **Share PLN member concerns**
- **Brainstorm solutions to the concerns**
- **Affirm the guidelines with amendments as needed**
- **Recruit volunteers/accept nominations for the committee**



# Why Do We Need Guidelines?

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- **ACF wants to encourage collaboration and dissemination but discourage surprises**
- **Large complex projects benefit from specifying expectations and reducing redundancies**
- **Peer review increases quality and consistency across products**



# Purpose

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- **Increase communication about planned and completed local and cross-site dissemination products**
- **Facilitate joint projects that go beyond what each grantee/local evaluator could do on their own**
- **Provide feedback that assesses unique contribution, rigor, and clarity and consistency in how the evaluation is described**



# Features

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- **Establishes a Publications Committee**
  - Provides and maintains guidelines for dissemination pertaining to the Supporting EBHV grants and cross-site evaluation
- **Establishes the purview of the guidelines**
  - Focus on EBHV publications or presentations that use cross-site, local, or multi-site evaluation data
- **Outlines the review process**
- **Fosters collaboration across grantees and the cross-site team**



# Committee

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- **Volunteers represent all members of the PLN**
  - 1-year rotation, new members come on every 6 months
- **Full Committee includes all volunteer reviewers and is led by an Executive Committee (EC)**
- **EC responsibilities**
  - Oversee process
  - Conduct reviews
  - Address disagreements
- **EC includes minimum of 1 grant director, 2 local evaluators, 1 cross-site evaluation representative, and 1 ACF representative**
  - Every site takes a turn on the EC over the next 3 years



# Review Process

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- **Initiated by the lead author**
  - Simple process
  - Author identifies potential PLN reviewers and submits proposals and actual products
- **Three week turn-around**
  - Expedited requests possible
- **Summary of plans and products shared with PLN through the EBHV listserv**
  - Facilitate information sharing and collaboration
- **Clearinghouse for information established and maintained**



# PLN Member Concerns

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- **XXXX**



# Solutions, Amendments

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- **XXXX**



# Affirmation

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- **The Guideline Development Committee recommends the group enact the guidelines and try them**
- **We assume you affirm agreement to abide by the guidelines (as amended if needed) as part of your existing cooperative agreements**
  - If not, you must let your FPO know within one week



# Volunteers/Nominations

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- **Executive Committee**
- **Full Committee**
  - All who volunteer to serve as reviewers
  - Reviewers complete a form that identifies the topics and methods that fits with their expertise



# Thank you!

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