DNP Project Roadmap: It Starts with the Evidence

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Problem Identification and Evidence Review

• Background on problem

• Organizational priority
Problem Identification and Evidence Review

• Develop searchable question

• Evidence search
  • internal and external evidence

• Evidence appraisal, synthesis, and recommendations
Project Planning

- Project Goals
  - Think SMART

- Framework(s)
  - EBP model
  - QI framework
  - Change model

- Context
Project Planning (cont.)

• Key stakeholders, staff, buy-in

• Practice change/Intervention

• Evaluation

• Possible barriers to implementation
Project Planning (cont.)

- Timeline
- Resources
- Approval(s) for project
Implementation

- Carry out project using selected implementation framework/model

- Track any deviations from project plan and make changes if necessary
Evaluation

- Using established method (e.g., run chart, control chart for data collected over time), display and interpret project outcomes
- Include evaluation of the effectiveness of the practice change
  - Extent implemented (process outcomes)
  - Achieved desired results (outcomes)
Dissemination
Dissemination (cont.)

EPQA
Evidence-based practice process quality assessment
Dissemination (cont.)
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