

Advancing the Learning Health System in Ontario

Part 7: Measuring LHS capabilities + Enablers and Barriers (Fuel, Accelerants, Moderators and Brakes)

HSPN Monthly Webinar

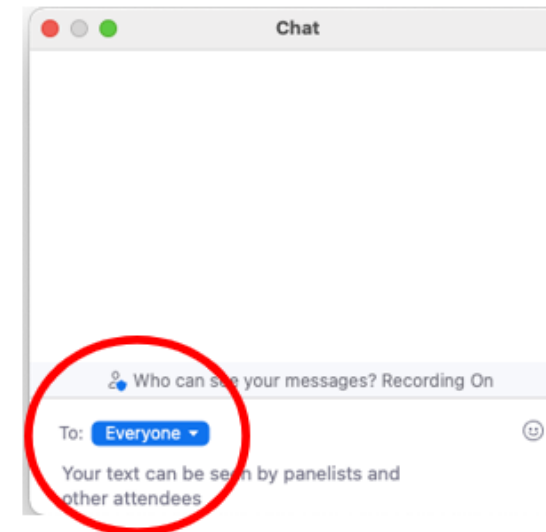
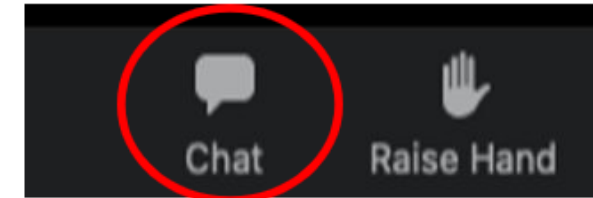
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Welcome & thank you for joining us!

Please let us know who you are by introducing yourself (name & OHT or other org)

➤ Open Chat

➤ Set response to **everyone** in the chat box



Land Acknowledgement

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.

Poll 1

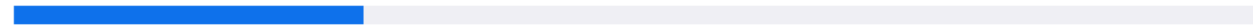
1. Have you joined us for an HSPN webinar previously? (Single choice)

43/43 (100%) answered

Yes. I have participated (31/43) 72%



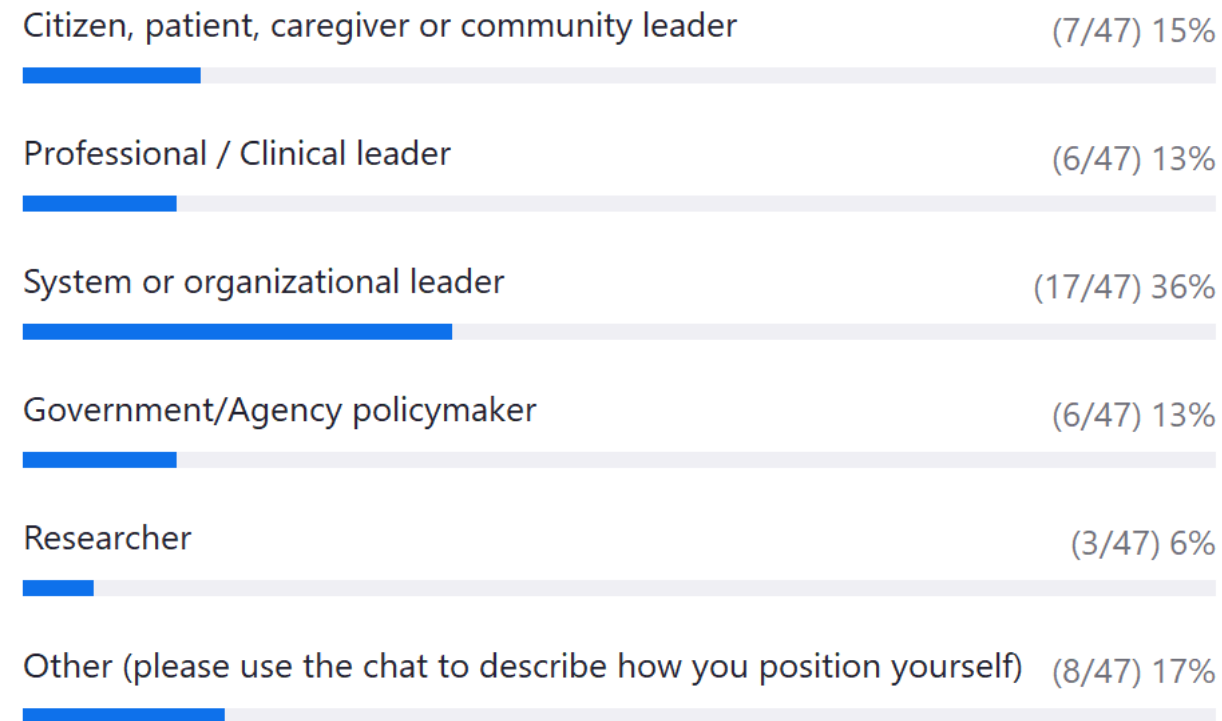
No. This is my first event (12/43) 28%



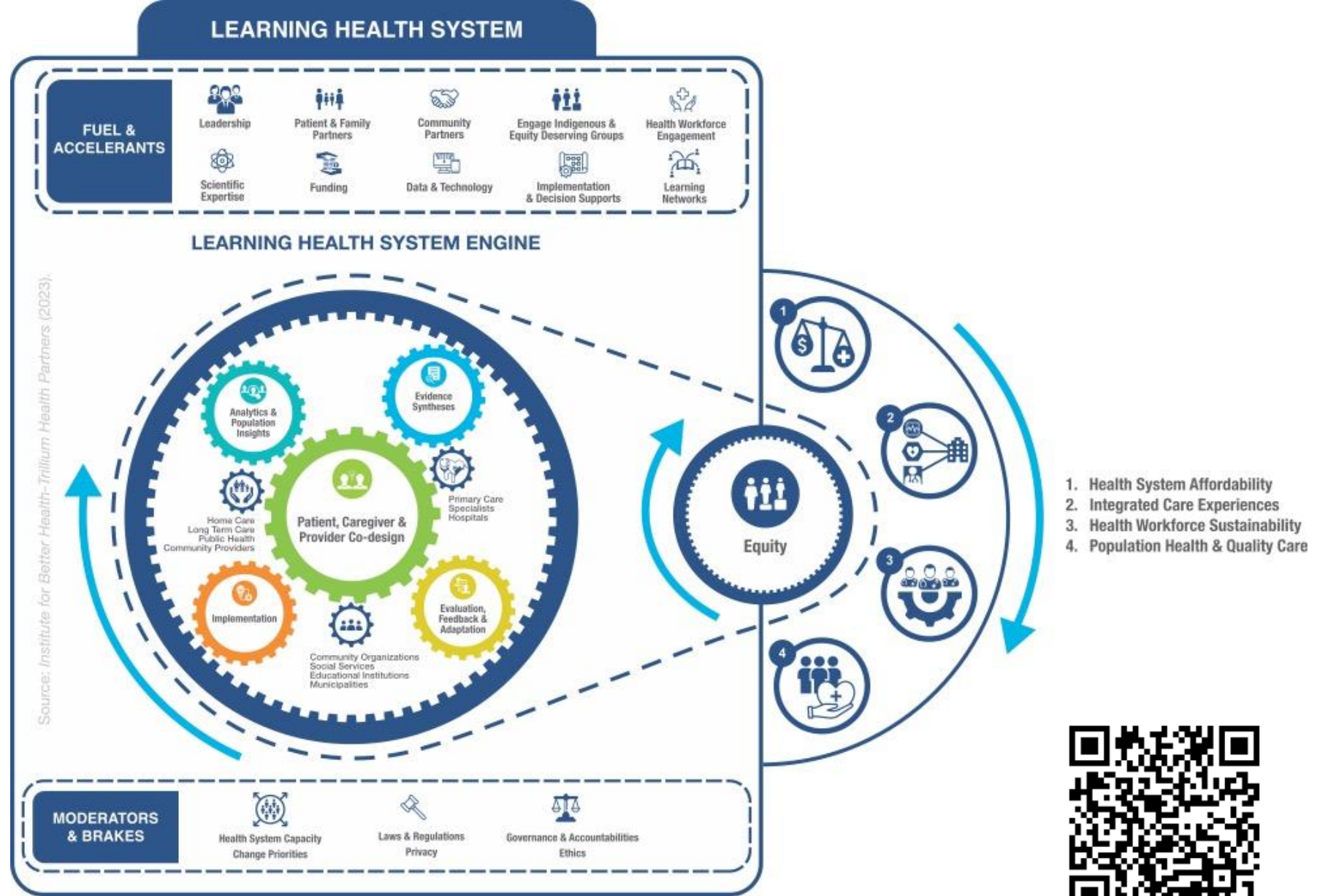
Poll 2

1. What role do you primarily play, or could you primarily play, in a learning health system? [select one option] (Single choice)

47/47 (100%) answered



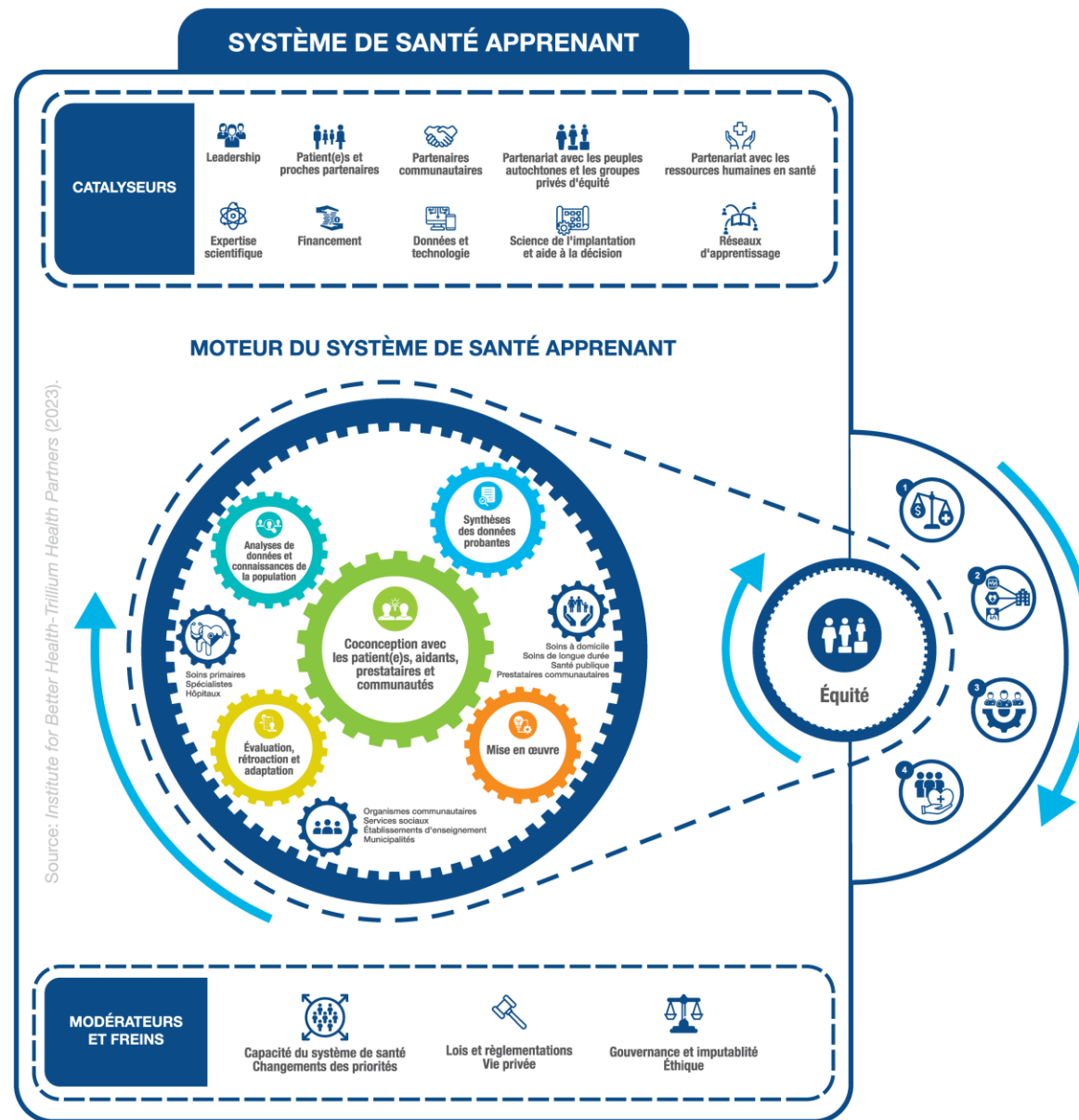
LEARNING HEALTH SYSTEM ACTION FRAMEWORK



SOURCE: *Institute for Better Health-Trillium Health Partners* (2023).



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We Can Assess Capability on this Framework

- **Introduction to LHS Capability Assessment Instrument**

- Purpose
- Structure
- Development methods
- Pilot test results

- **Discussion Topics & Feedback**

- Data visualization options
- Application methodology
- Results: planning for improvement



Measurement Instrument



What does it do?



- Measures LHS capabilities: **mapped across the LHS "gears"**
- To be completed by **interprofessional collaborators** (executive leaders, managers, frontline clinicians, implementation & QI leads, evaluation/data, researchers, operational supports, etc.)
- Enables LHS self-assessments for a **shared understanding of current state of development** (team, program, or organizational level)

How is it structured?

- **Survey instrument**
 - Understandable terminology across disciplines
 - Generalizable across settings
 - Easy-to-use, low measurement burden (~20 minutes)
- **Likert-scale, 40 items:**
 - Quantitative: measures of capability levels (i.e., extent to which LHS gears are enacted in practice)
 - Qualitative: open-ended comments (i.e., barriers, opportunities, challenges, facilitators, change ideas, examples)

Section A – Analytics & Population Insights

Definition: In an LHS, multiple data sources and information inputs (e.g., regional, provincial, or national administrative databases, local EMR data, patient and provider surveys, qualitative insights, etc.) and a range of analytical methods are used to routinely assess performance (e.g., quality, access, cost, wait times, etc.), understand underlying causes of performance gaps against strategic objectives, and prioritize patient populations for improvements in care delivery. Throughout data collection and analyses, it is important to actively engage with patients, family members, caregivers, frontline providers, system leaders, managers, and researchers and effectively understand the needs of equity-deserving groups to mitigate health inequities.

The questions in this section assess the extent to which analytics & population insights are regularly used to identify performance gaps in your organization.

Please answer the questions below to the best of your ability.

		We never do this	We are starting to do this	We do this sometimes	We do this often	We do this (nearly) all of the time	Don't Know
1	We use available administrative (e.g., regional, provincial, or national databases) or local EMR data to measure quality outcomes and prioritize patient populations according to performance gaps	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	We use patient survey methods (e.g., mail, phone, digital, mixed methods surveys) and data to assess patient experience and/or reported outcomes for improvement purposes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	We use qualitative methods (e.g., conversations, unit visits, focus groups, interviews, rapid thematic analyses, ethnographic studies) to gather input and understand patients' needs and experiences	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4	We use data modelling (e.g. predictive, causal, and multi-level analyses, including machine learning & artificial intelligence) to identify causes of performance gaps and health inequities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

		We never do this	We are starting to do this	We do this sometimes	We do this often	We do this (nearly) all of the time	Don't Know
5	We use equity analyses (e.g., marginalization/deprivation indices, relative inequality analyses) to identify inequities and prioritize equity-deserving groups	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6	We actively engage with a diverse array of partners (e.g., patients, family members, frontline providers, system leaders and managers, and/or researchers) as appropriate to inform problem definition, prioritization, and selection of data collection and analysis methods	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. Do you have any comments related to **analytics & population insights** you would like to provide for additional insights and/or context? (i.e., examples of work you've done, barriers, challenges, and/or enablers you've encountered, suggestions for improvement in your organization, etc.)

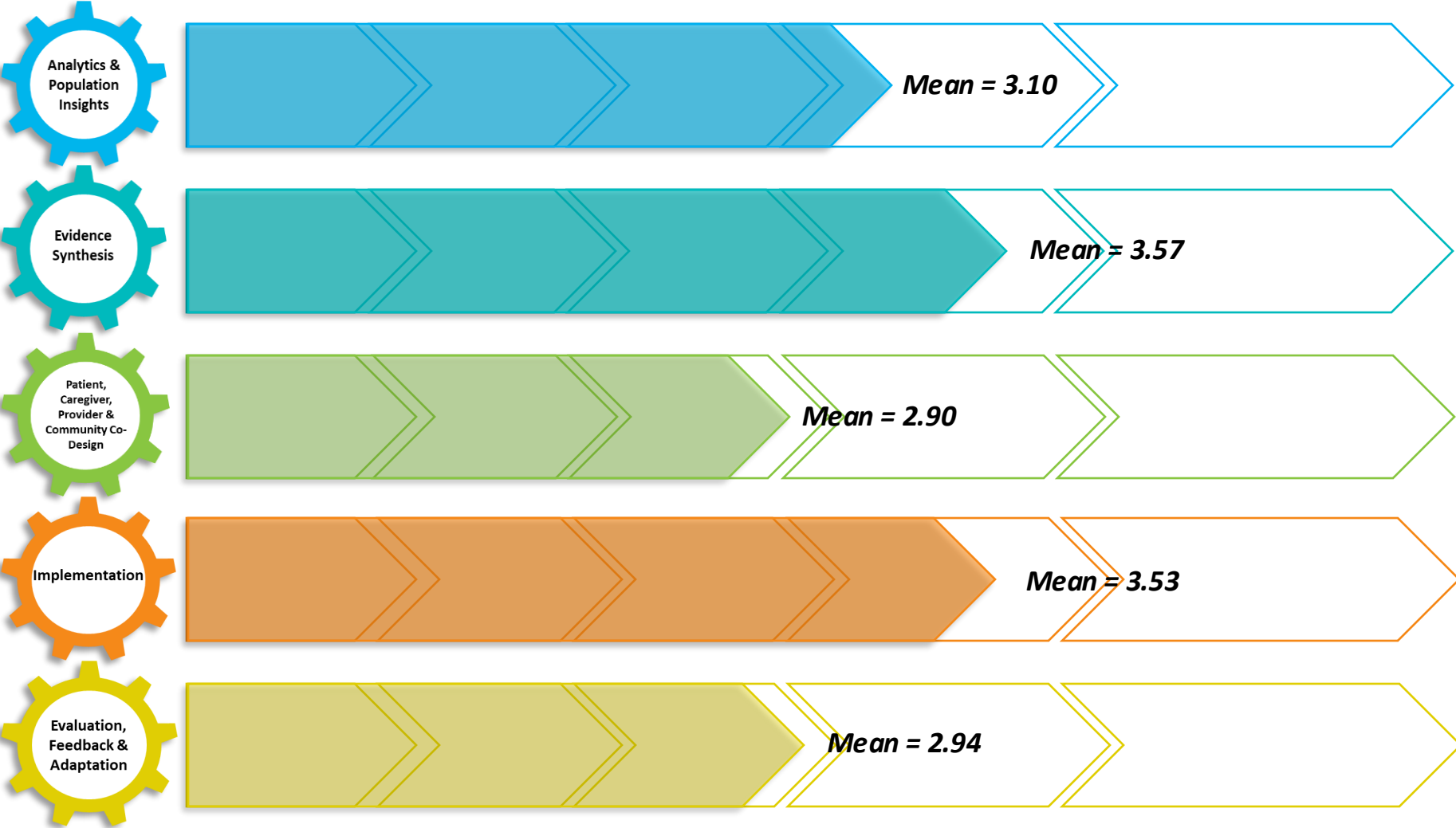
Open-Ended Comments

Measurement Instrument: Capability Assessment Attributes

1. Analytics and Population Insights	2. Evidence Synthesis	3. Patient, Caregiver, & Provider Co-Design	4. Implementation	5. Evaluation, Feedback, & Adaptation	6. Organizational Enablers
Descriptive Clinical-Administrative Data Analysis	Evidence Syntheses Question Definitions	Engagement with Partners for Co-Design	Implementation Solutions Alignment	Evaluation Methods	Leadership and Strategy
Patient-Reported Data Analysis	Evidence Syntheses Methods	Co-Design Methods and Techniques	Operational Support for Implementation	Evaluation Agility and Frequency	Operational and Technological Supports
Qualitative Data Analysis	Use of Evidence Syntheses Findings	Mitigation of Participation Barriers and Power Imbalances	Resources and Accountability for Implementation	Use of Evaluation Findings	Community Engagement and Learning Networks
Data Modelling	Engagement with Partners for Evidence Syntheses		Participatory Leadership for Implementation	Evaluation Scope	Short-Term and Long-Term Funding
Equity Analysis			Engagement with Partners for Implementation	Engagement with Partners for Evaluation	Laws, Regulations, & Ethical Oversight
Engagement with Partners for Analytics					

Pilot Test – Health Care Network

Horizontal



Advancing the Learning Health System: 7 Part Series

1. Introduction to Learning Health System Action Framework and 5 gears
2. Gear 1: Population data insights
3. Gear 2: Evidence gathering and synthesis
4. Gear 3: Co-design
5. Gear 4: Implementation
6. Gear 5: Evaluation and Feedback
7. **Review**
 - + Enablers and Barriers: Fuel, Accelerants, Moderators and Brakes
 - + Measuring capabilities for Learning Health System

Advancing the Learning Health System: 7 Part Series



Today's event
What is a Learning Health System

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April 23, 2024

Today's event
LHS Analytics and Insights

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Today's event
LHS Evidence Syntheses & More

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HSPN Monthly Webinar
June 25, 2024

**Today's event: Learning Health
System Co-design with Patients,
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HSPN Monthly Webinar
July 23, 2024

Today's event:
**Enablers and Barriers
(Fuel, Accelerants, Moderators and Brakes)
+ Measuring LHS capabilities?**

Co-Hosts

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HSPN Monthly Webinar
January 28, 2025

Today's event:
**Supporting Evaluation in Learning
Health Systems: What do OHTs need
to know?**

Host
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HSPN Monthly Webinar
November 26, 2024

Today's event:
**Implementation: From Research
to Routine Practice**

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Presenters

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HSPN Monthly Webinar
September 24, 2024

Today's event

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Seven features of a learning health system

The combination of a health system and research system that, at all levels, is

- anchored on **patients' / clients'** needs, perspectives and aspirations (1)
- driven by timely **data** (2) and **evidence** (3)
- supported by appropriate **decision supports** (4) and aligned **governance, financial and care / service delivery arrangements** (5)
- enabled with a **culture** of (6), and **competencies** for (7), **rapid learning and improvement**

Two actions at the heart of a learning health system

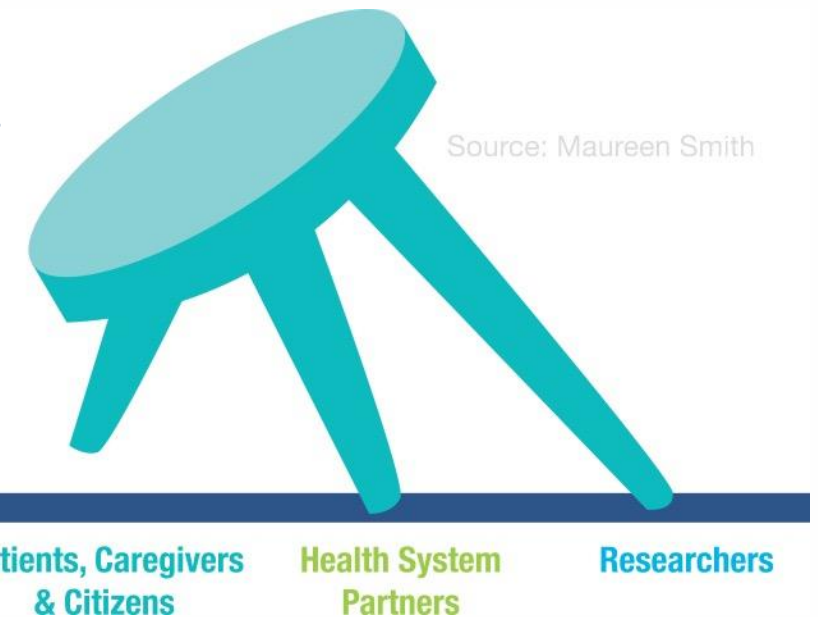
- Use ‘**learning and improvement cycles**’ – in all ‘layers’ and especially with patients / clients (1), organized around tests of change, drawing on many forms of evidence (2 & 3), and involving research | operations | patient/client and family partnerships at the many ‘coalfaces’
- Make ‘any change for the better’ **the ‘new normal’** (and not yet another pilot project) – with appropriate decision supports (4), aligned governance, financial & care/service delivery arrangements (5), and both culture (6) and competencies (7)

Who are the evidence ‘trades’ supporting learning and improvement cycles and making any change for the better the ‘new normal’?

- Data analytics (and modeling)
 - Who is providing the data analytics, including about equity-centred quadruple-aim metrics? (e.g., IC/ES, INSPIRE-PHC, RISE-NOSM)
- Evaluation
 - Who is doing the rapid evaluations of ‘tests of change’?
- Behavioural / implementation research
 - Who is doing the behavioural / implementation research to address barriers to accessing care and to changing practice?
- Qualitative insights
 - Who is systematically capturing qualitative insights from patients/clients and citizens and from clinicians?
- Evidence synthesis
 - Who is providing ultra-rapid contextualized evidence syntheses? (e.g., RISE-MHF)
- Health technology assessments
 - Who is accessing reports from OTAC, CADTH, etc. or preparing their own?
- Guidelines
 - Who is sourcing, assessing and adapting OH quality standards and guidance documents or preparing their own?

Patients are more than data donors

- Learning health system (LHS): Embedding research into health systems, continuously learning from data and translating findings into care / services in real time – **means much more than data donors!**
- A scoping review of LHS articles from 2016 to 2020 found articles discussing the level of patient involvement in LHS were scarce
- No common language, tools or frameworks for discussing and operationalizing LHS exist, making it likely that many healthcare institutions are using this approach without explicitly naming it as such
- Tools that exist are often not suited to engaging people and communities with diverse voices and needs, particularly those from equity deserving groups



SOURCES:

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Review of the 5 Gears



Learning Gear 1: Analytics & Population Insights



Description: Using comprehensive data (quantitative & qualitative) and advanced analytic approaches on populations served to understand health service needs, gaps, inequities, preferences & aspirations.

Sample Questions: Where are system gaps & what's driving them? Where are the inequities? What priorities are we addressing (or what problems are we solving)? What are patient, caregiver, community preferences & aspirations?

Health System Affinities: business intelligence functions, data decision & analytics supports, program planning groups, clinical informatics, patient and family advisory councils, etc.

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What We Know

Slides shared with the MLOHT
(then Western OHT)
Coordinating Council in 2019

Our attributed population (MoH data unless otherwise stated)

- 514,024 people
 - 92,045 (17.9%) >65yrs
 - 199,332 (38.7%) >50
 - 23,011 Frail Adults >65 (Canadian Frailty Network projection)
- 148,784 (28.9%) live outside of London
- 9,252 (1.8%) Francophone (SW LHIN)
 - Arabic most common language besides English
- 87,384 (17%) visible minority (SW LHIN)
- 88,412 (17.2%) living in poverty (SW LHIN)



What We Know

OHT Top 10 HPG Ranked by Total Cost

Top #	Top HPG	HPG Population A	HPG Total Cost B	OHT Cost/User C-B/A
1	Q007	3,883	\$147.9M	\$38,100
2	S001	2,596	\$132.3M	\$50,974
3	E004C	1,685	\$50.7M	\$30,061
4	R002	1,302	\$43.9M	\$33,705
5	Q009	1,538	\$38.7M	\$25,142
6	J008C	1,281	\$34.3M	\$26,747
7	I002C	747	\$33.2M	\$44,469
8	P002A	1,155	\$32.2M	\$27,918
9	Q002	722	\$32.2M	\$44,534
10	J032A	15,732	\$31.5M	\$2,001

Legend for Top 10 HPGs' Description

1	Dementia (incl. Alzheimer's) w sig comorbidities
2	Palliative State (Acute)
3	Heart failure with CAD/Arrhythmia w sig comorbidities
4	Metastatic Cancer w sig comorbidities
5	Delusional Disorder (incl. Schizophrenia) w sig comorbidities
6	Diabetes/hypoglycemia with PVD/Oth Chronic Vasc Dx w sig comorbidities
7	Skin Ulcer (incl. Decubitus) w sig comorbidities
8	Sepsis w sig comorbidities
9	Mental Disorder Resulting from Brain Injury or Other Illness w sig comorbidities
10	Diab/hypoglyc w/o Chronic Kidney Dis or PVD/Chronic Vasc Dx w/o sig comorbidities

- 8/10 include sig comorbidities
- Total spend on these 8 = \$413.1M

Data for Improvement





Patient Experience Survey Outcomes

Survey Themes

- How to help support patients who are marginalized/vulnerable
- Assessing the patient experience for those with no family doctor or nurse practitioner
- Access to services/care
- Patient/caregiver involvement as a member of the care team
- Use of digital tools to support care
- Understanding the demographics of our population



Actions

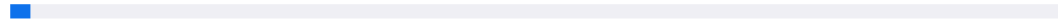
- SGB OHT Clinic for unattached population
- Development of a patient handbook
- Furthering patient and caregiver advocacy work
- Patient tools to support use of digital tools
- Improving accessibility to communications around services
- Data to inform SGB OHT decision making and resource allocation

Poll 3

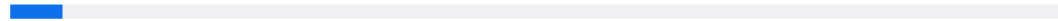
1. We use data (any of administrative, medical records, surveys, qualitative) to identify where improvements can be in our attributed population. (Single choice)

58/58 (100%) answered

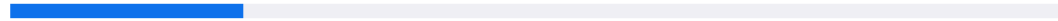
We never do this (1/58) 2%



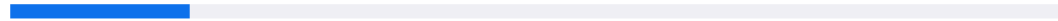
We are starting to do this (3/58) 5%



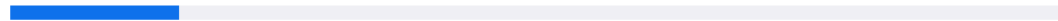
We do this sometimes (13/58) 22%



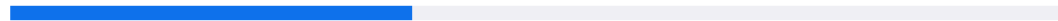
We do this often (10/58) 17%



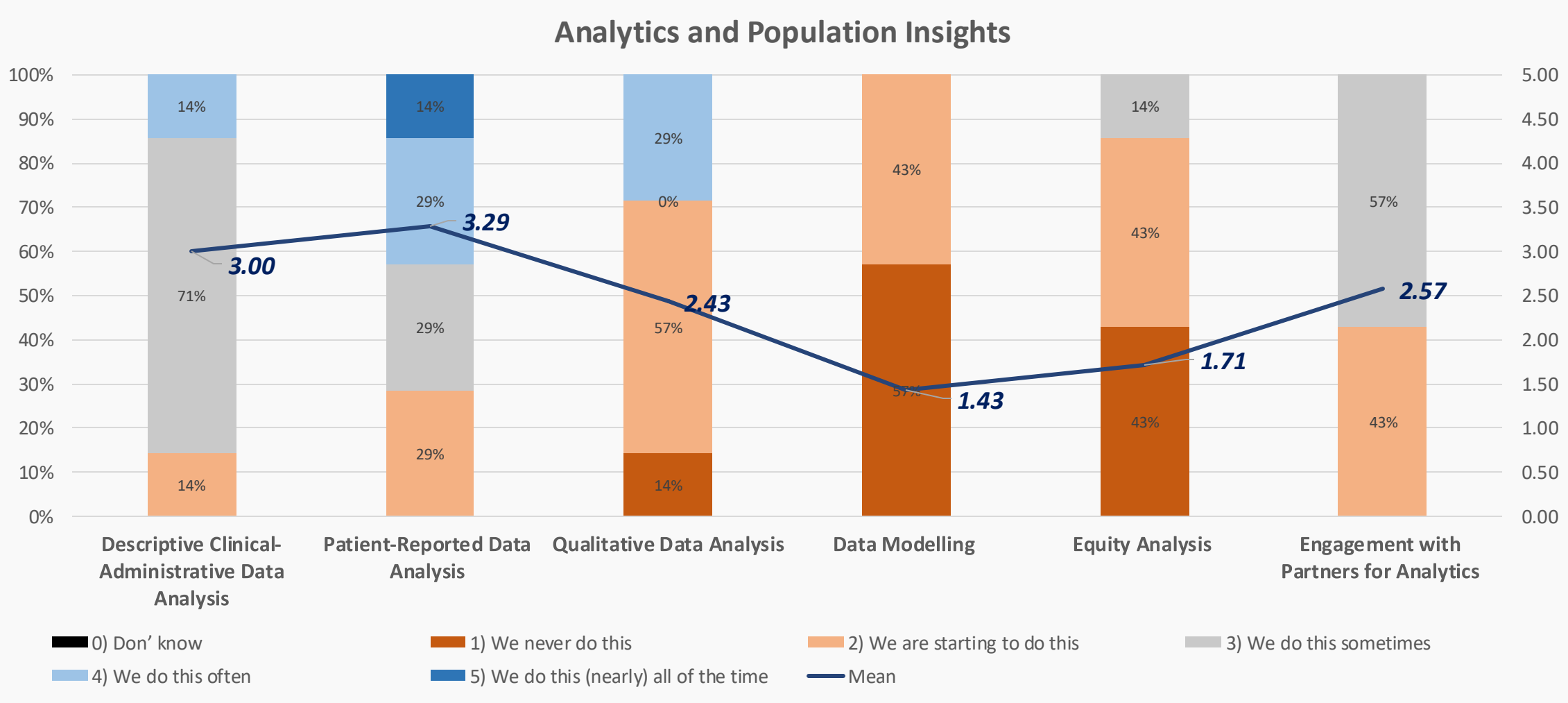
We do this (nearly) all the time (9/58) 16%



Don't know [not engaged in direct OHT activity] (22/58) 38%



LHS Gears Capabilities – Analytics and Population Insights



Learning Gear 2: Evidence



Description: Rapid syntheses of existing evidence to understand the success or failure of solutions to similar problems tested elsewhere as well as barriers and promoters.

Sample Questions: What has worked and not worked elsewhere? What are key components & adaptable periphery? What conditions and contextual issues are key? What barriers need to be addressed?

Health System Affinities: Health system librarians, clinical guideline development teams, provincial & federal evidence synthesis supports, Cochrane collaboration, SPOR Evidence Alliance, global evidence consortia

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Areas of expertise



- Patient-oriented research & training (with an equity, diversity, inclusion, Indigeneity lens)
- Minority and marginalized populations
- Learning Health Systems (embedded partner in OHTs and member of the OSSU LHS WG)
- Health service access and use
- Human resources for health
- Digital / Virtual care

CRaNHR is an OSSU Centre under the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research initiative. CRaNHR is the only such centre in northern Ontario.



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Established in 2018, assembles world-leading interdisciplinary implementation scientists with expertise in:

- Audit and feedback
- Decision aids
- Clinical practice guideline development/evaluation
- Evidence synthesis
- Integrated knowledge translation and community partnerships
- Health care professional behaviour change
- Behaviour change in patients/general public
- Health economic evaluation
- Qualitative, survey, and consensus methods
- Intervention evaluation
- Barriers/enablers assessment
- Intervention co-development



Enabling evidence-informed learning and improvement processes

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25 June 2024

Five prompts for being systematic and transparent when drawing on existing evidence syntheses in rapid learning and improvement



1. Confirm that **research evidence** (or another type of information) is actually what is needed



2. Use a **framework** to generate a mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive (MECE) list to work with



3. Leverage the right **evidence repositories** (and living evidence syntheses) for the form of evidence and topic area you're interested in



4. Know **what to look for** in the existing evidence, especially for evidence synthesis:

- currency (or recency)
- quality
- local applicability (e.g., including for equity-deserving groups)



5. Know where to go to find high-performing **evidence-support units**, by form of evidence and topic area, and how to set standards for those supporting the flow of new evidence

Keep in mind

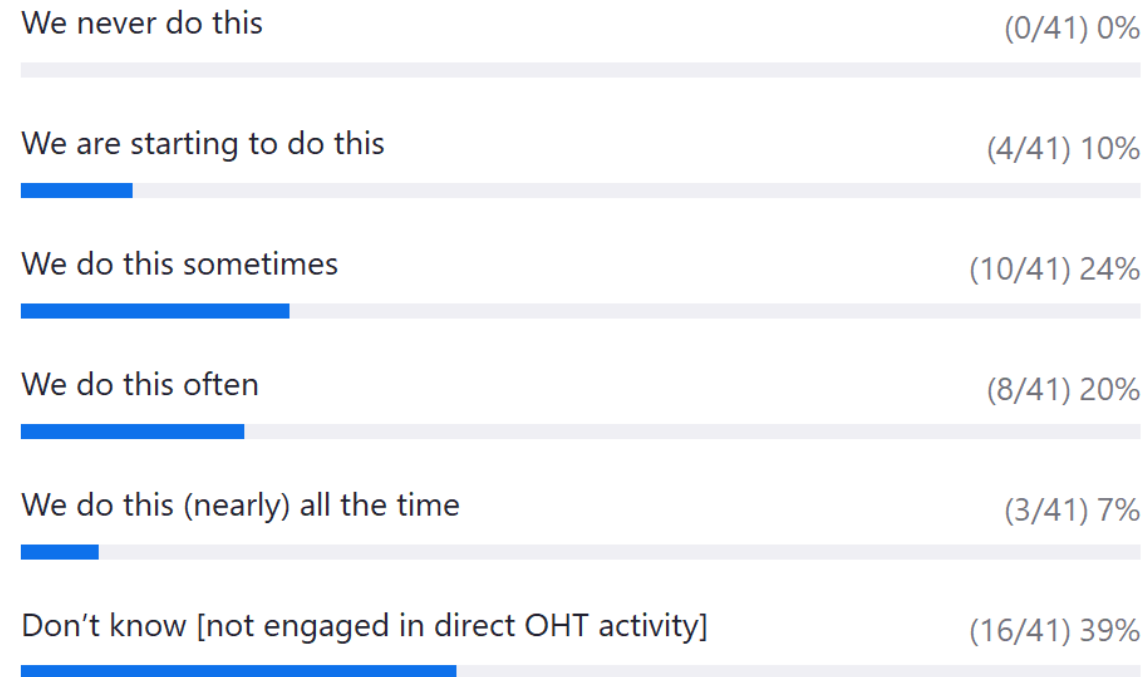
- How far and how fast evidence support has moved
- How these new developments can help you do your work more efficiently and/or with greater confidence
- How easy it is for people outside your organizations to assess documents it puts in the public domain

An example of a two-page prompts sheet is available upon request

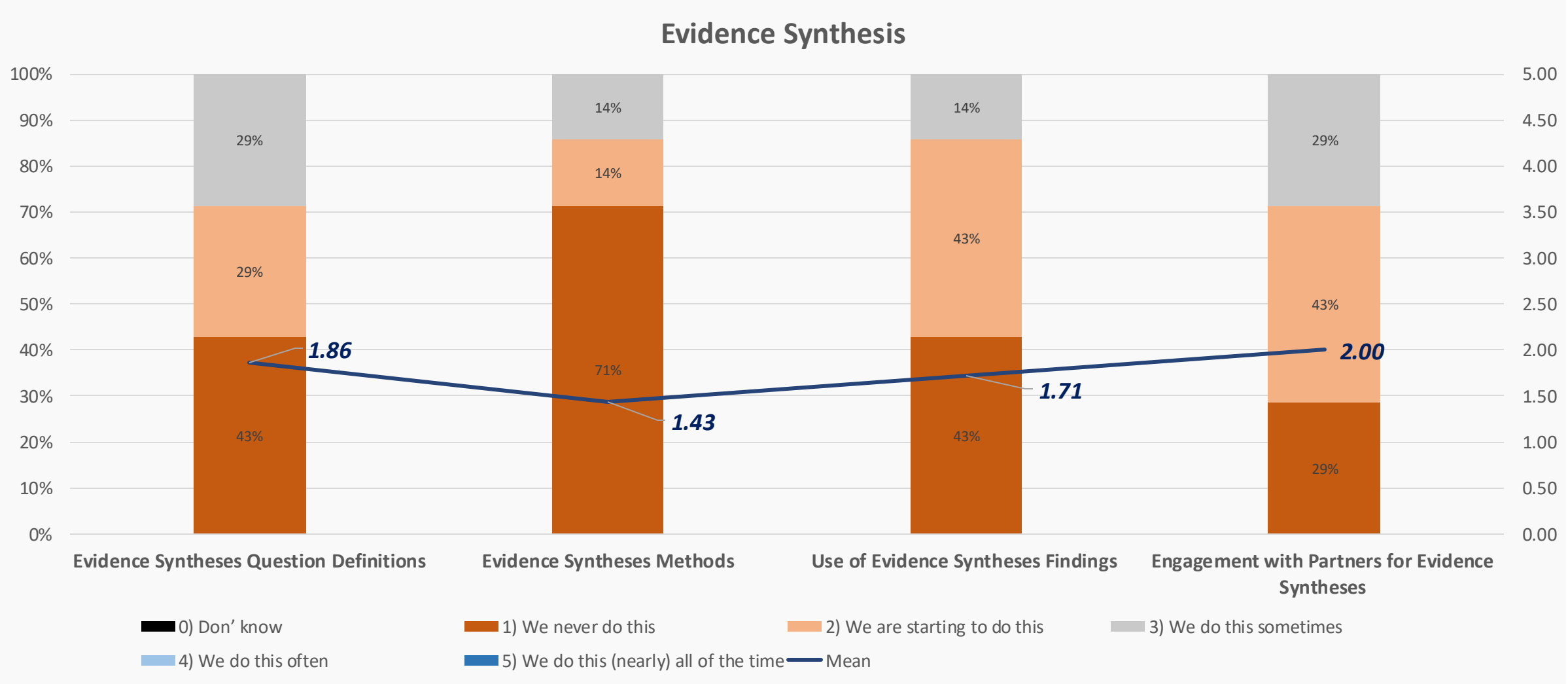
Poll 4

1. We use external evidence and ideas to select and guide initiatives (e.g. use or adapt what has worked elsewhere to solve problems). (Single choice)

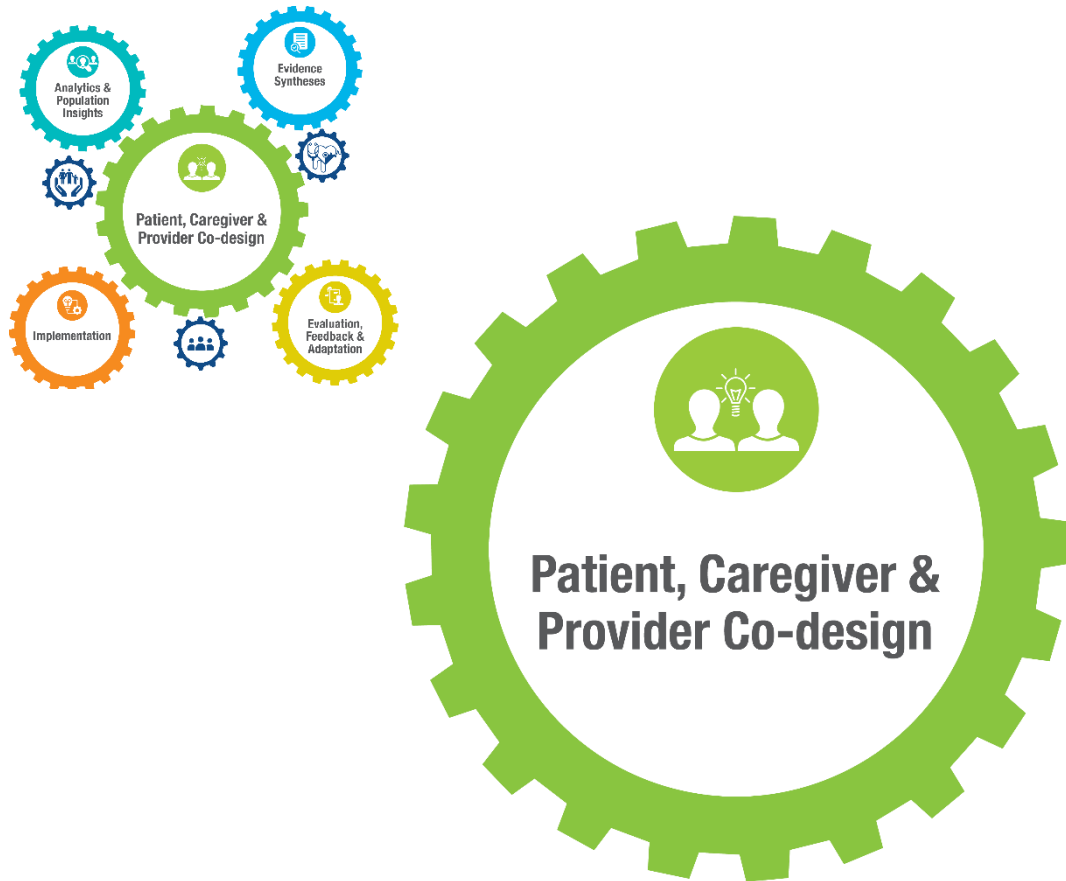
41/41 (100%) answered



LHS Capabilities – Evidence Synthesis



Learning Gear 3: Patient, Caregiver and Provider Co-design



Description: Direct engagement and co-design with patients, caregivers, care providers and community members impacted by the health problem alongside those who can move co-designed services towards successful implementation.

Sample Questions: what are user centered design conditions (providers, patients, caregivers, community members)? What design considerations are most important? How can technology be used? How do requirements differ for equity deserving groups? What are the feasibility constraints?

Health System Affinities: innovation & user centered design experts/teams, clinical programs/networks, health informatics programs, patient & family experience councils, community groups, health system leaders/regulators etc.

Today's event: Learning Health System Co-design with Patients, Caregivers and Providers



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STAGES OF CO-DESIGN

Engage- build relationships, take steps to understand the problem

Plan- stages of the work, logistics, assess needs, goals, methods to use, etc.

Explore- learn about experiences and priority areas

Develop- co-design/co-redesign improvement (intervention, process, product)

Decide- what to prioritize and refine/seek additional feedback

Change- turn improvement ideas into action

Adapted from Kiss et al (2024)- see Figure 2

CHECK OUT OUR TWO CO-DESIGN WEBINARS!

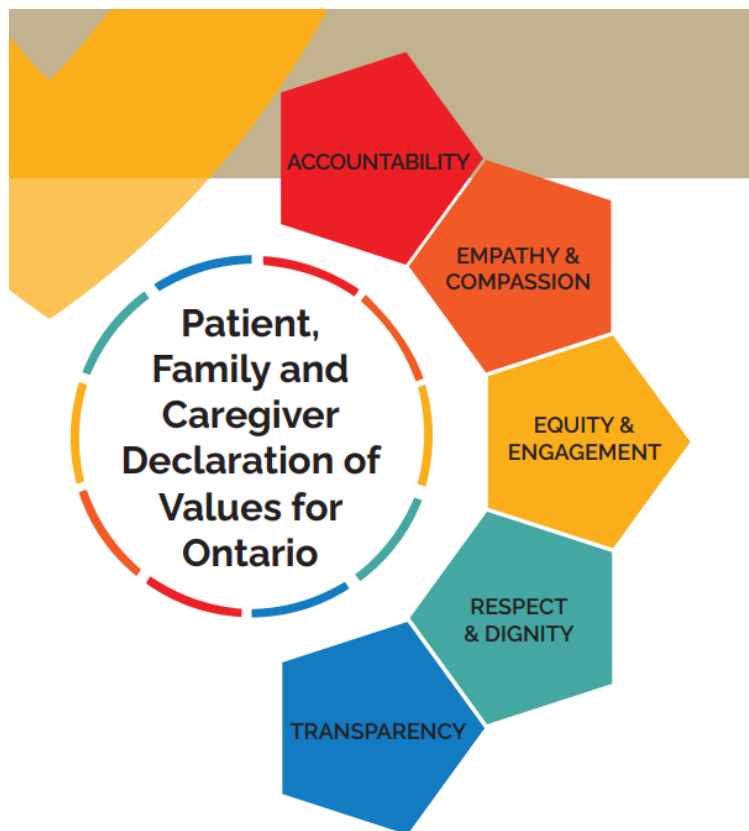


To access the full 7-part series and workbooks:

<https://www.institutebetterhealth.com/portfolio-items/patient-caregiver-and-community-engagement-learning-series/>

Guiding Principles

Ministry of Health Patient, Family and Caregiver Declaration of Values



Mississauga Health Community Health Advisory Network

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HANDBOOK

COMMUNITY HEALTH ADVISORY NETWORK

LIVED EXPERIENCES COLLABORATION INNOVATION

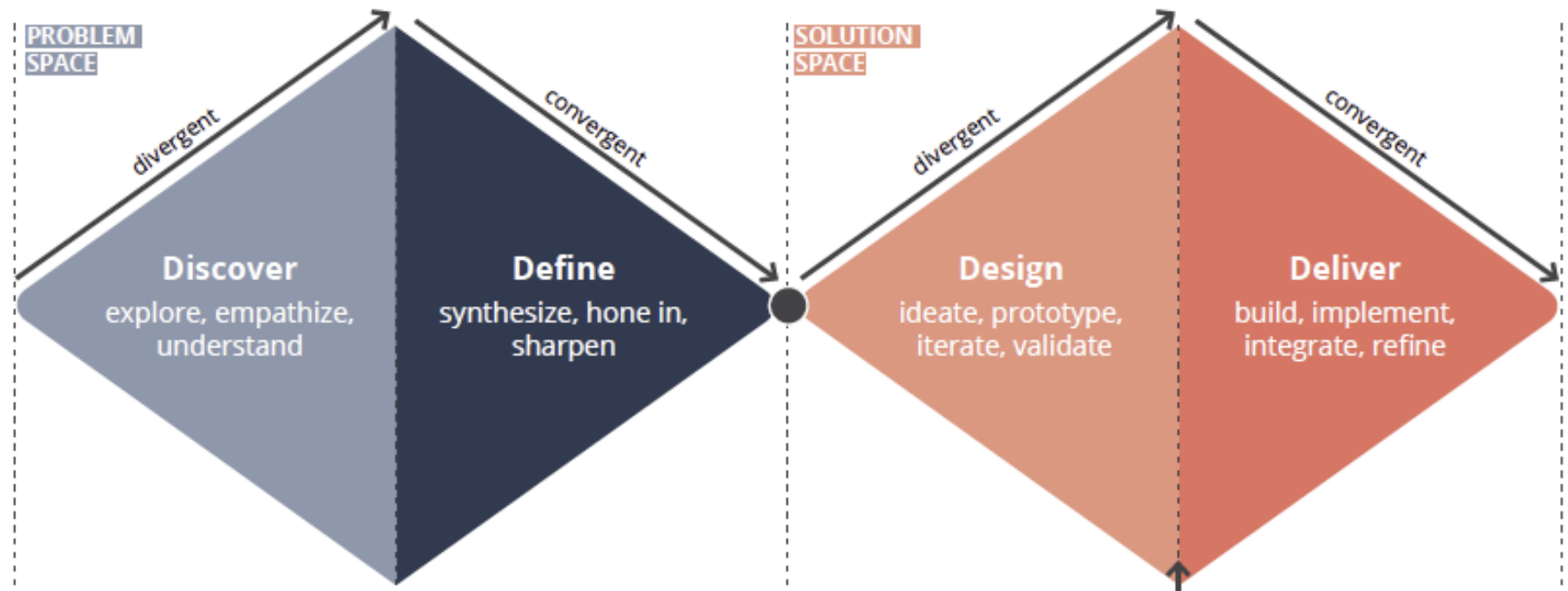
Purpose

To create space for the diverse voices of patients, clients, and their support networks to provide guidance on our journey of creating an inclusive care system that we can all navigate.

Role of a Community Advisor

- Share experiences and those of their communities
- Participate and inform key decisions and health system solutions
- Make recommendations on help make our care system better for all
- Review or help create resources/ materials
- Help the Mississauga Ontario Health Team engage with diverse communities
- Encourage members of our local communities to get involved in opportunities

Key Components of Co-Design



- Service asset mapping
- User engagement interviews
- Needs assessment review
- Literature and environmental scans
- Journey mapping

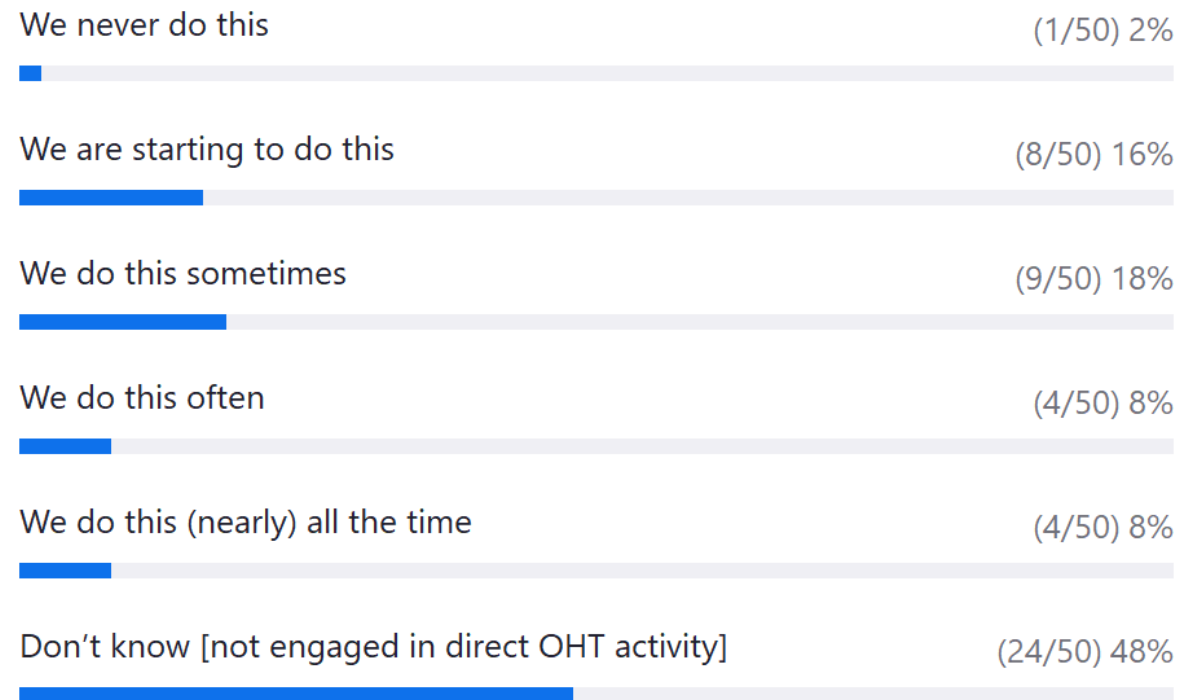
- Brainstorming
- Thematic analysis
- Visioning exercises
- Consultations
- Design brief

- Targeted user engagement interviews
- Team-based co-design activities
- User personas
- Navigator capacity survey
- Future state journey mapping
- Service blueprinting

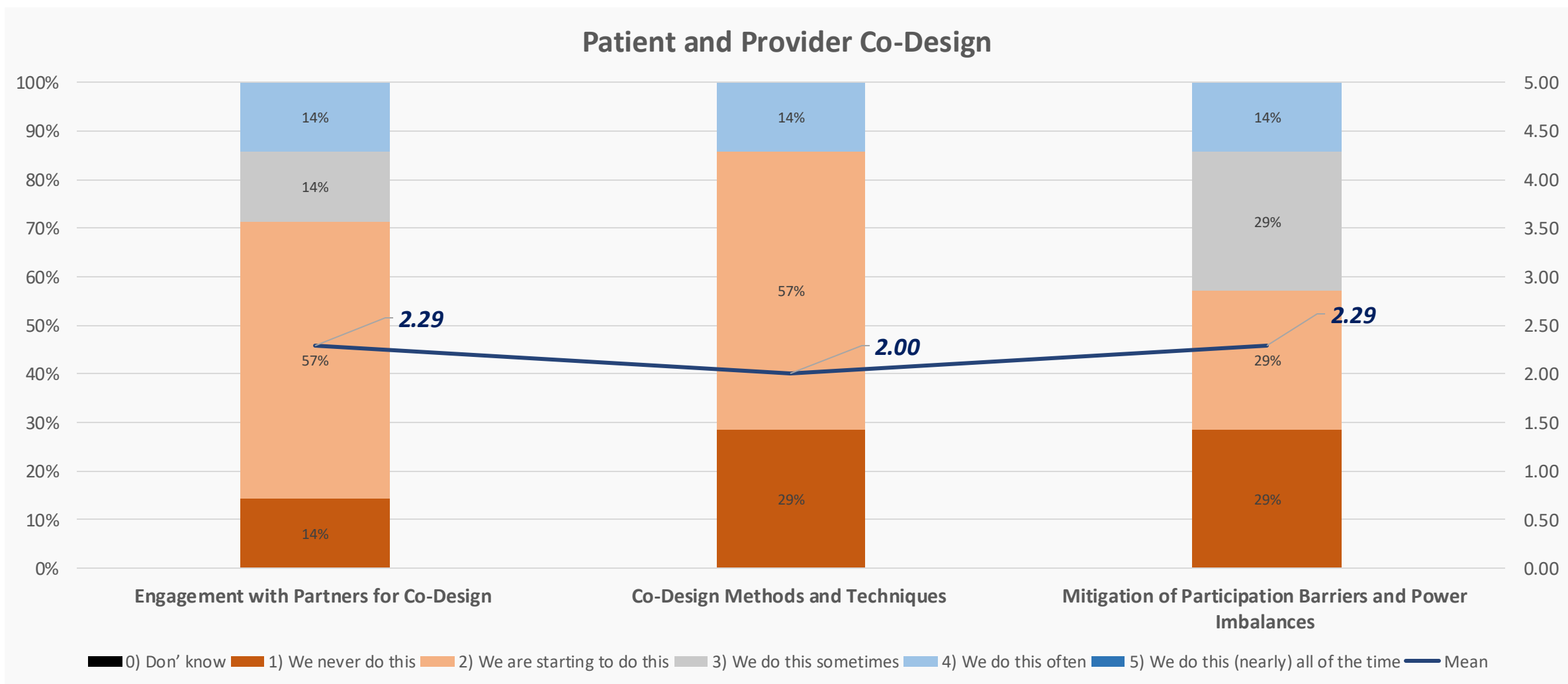
Poll 5

1. We use formal co-design methods such as structured deliberations and techniques (e.g. dialogues with partners, Delphi panels, future state mapping) with a diverse array of partners including patients and family and service/care providers in the co-design/co-creation of solutions. (Single choice)

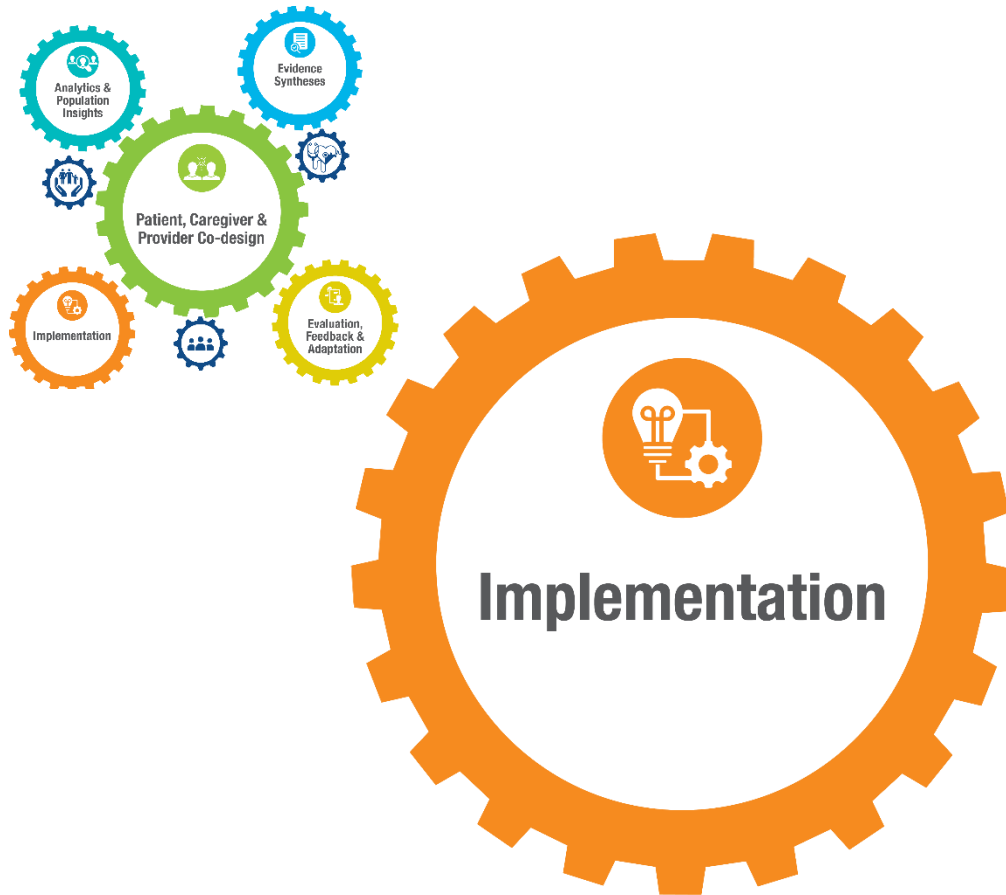
50/50 (100%) answered



LHS Gears Capabilities – Patient and Provider Co-Design



Learning Gear 4: Implementation



Description: Systematically converting research findings and other evidence-based practices into routine and “sticky” practices that enhance the quality and impact of health services.

Sample Questions: How to stage implementation? What implementation/change management methods & communication channels should be used? How can behavioral motivation built? How to best train people for new work, or new ways of receiving care?

Health System Affinities: Quality improvement teams, Lean/Six Sigma leaders, project management teams, health informatics, change management trainings etc.

Today's event: Implementation: From Research to Routine Practice

Presenters



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Marjorie Hammond
Geriatrics Nurse Specialist



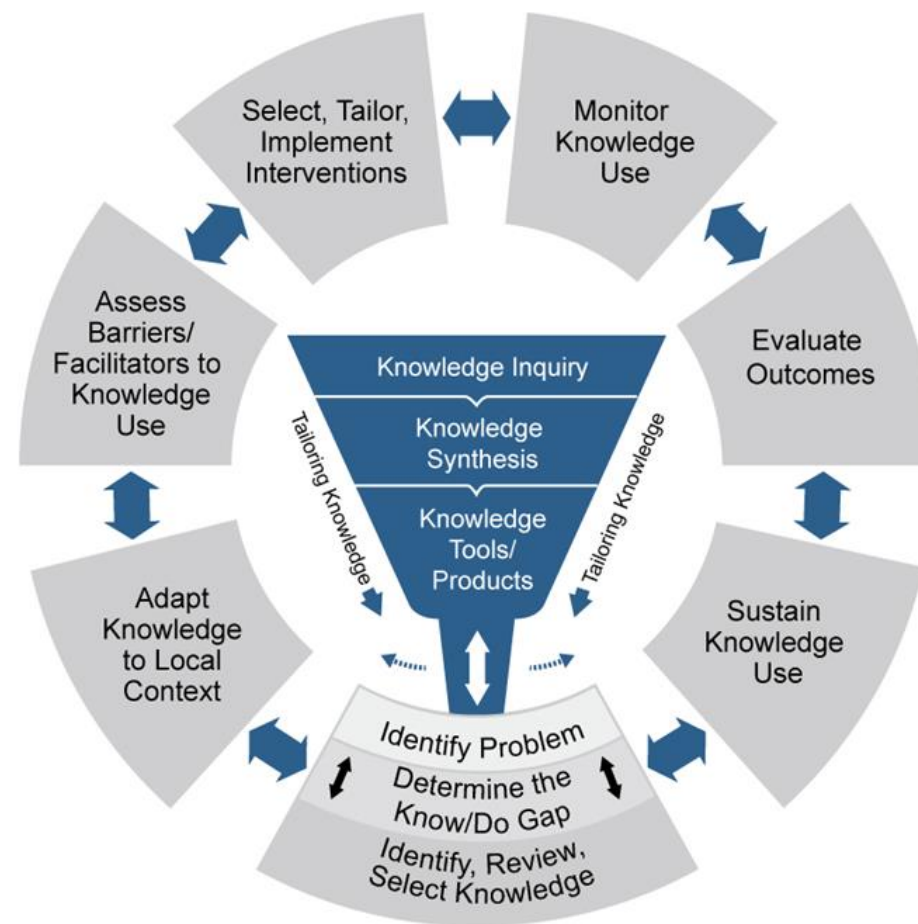
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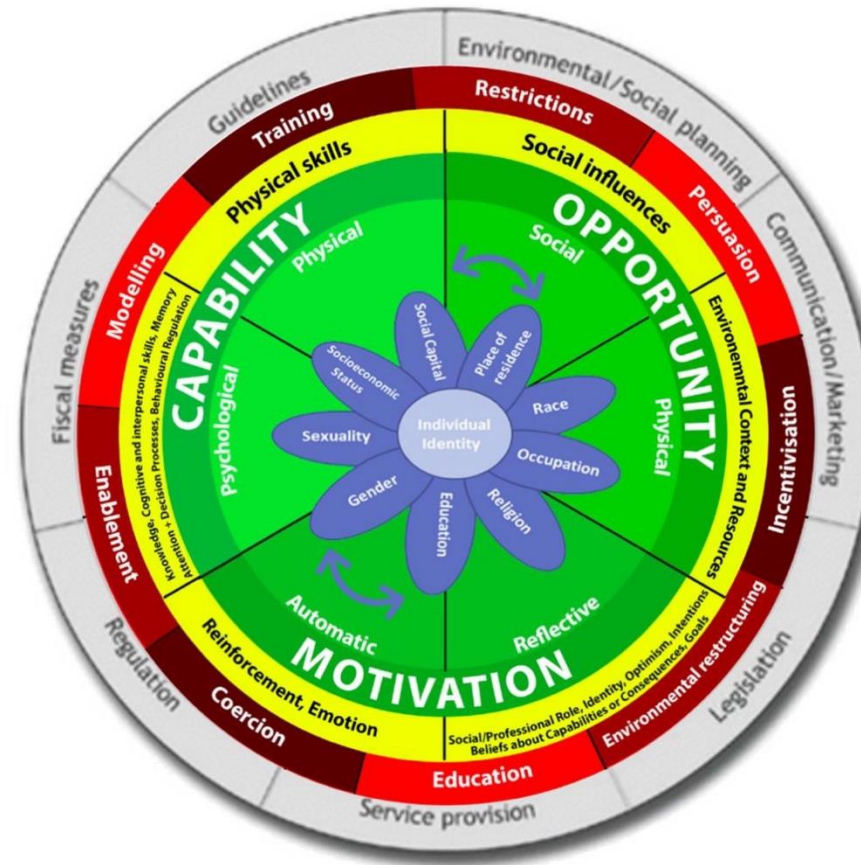
The Knowledge-to-Action model describes a process for dissemination and implementation of research



Graham ID, Logan J, Harrison MB, Straus SE, Tetroe J, Caswell W, Robinson N. Lost in knowledge translation: time for a map? J Contin Educ Health Prof. 2006 Winter;26(1):13-24. doi: 10.1002/chp.47. PMID: 16557505.

Why would people change (or not)?

- Organize barriers and facilitators using theoretical frameworks
- Use theories and frameworks to LINK barriers and facilitators to corresponding strategies



Source: Michie, van Stralen, & West (2011). Implementation Science; 6(1):42. doi: 10.1186/1748-5908-6-42.

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Creation of a theoretically rooted workbook to support implementers in the practice of knowledge translation

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STEP 1: Identify your **WHAT**

STEP 2: Identify your **WHO**

STEP 3: Understand the **WHY**

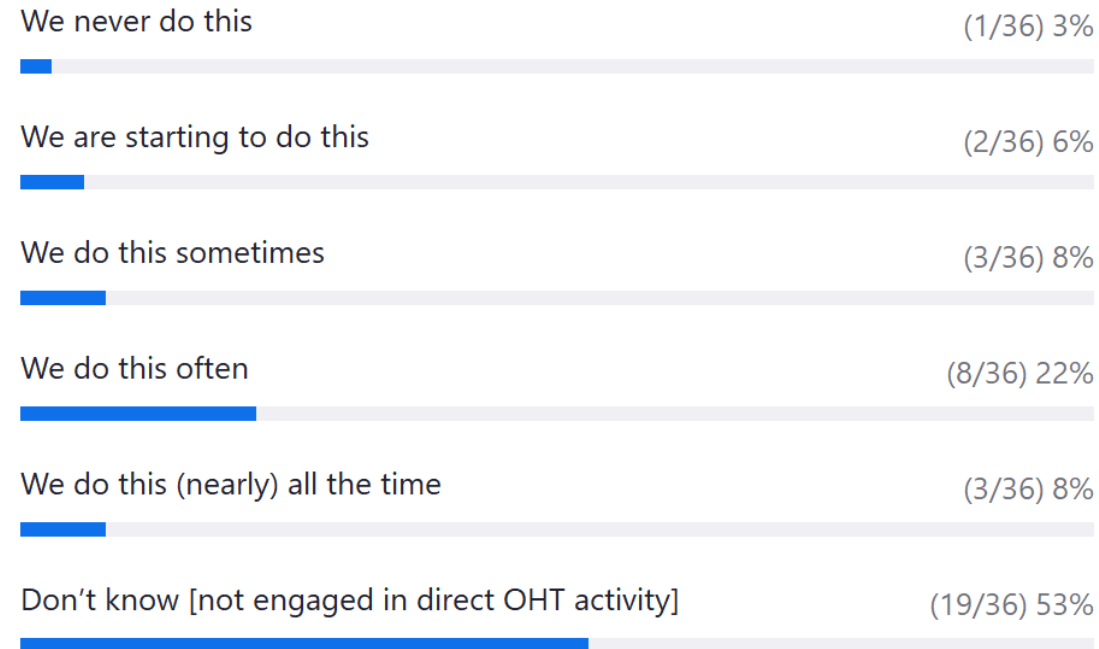
STEP 4: Identify your **HOW**

STEP 5: **PLAN** for evaluation and sustainability

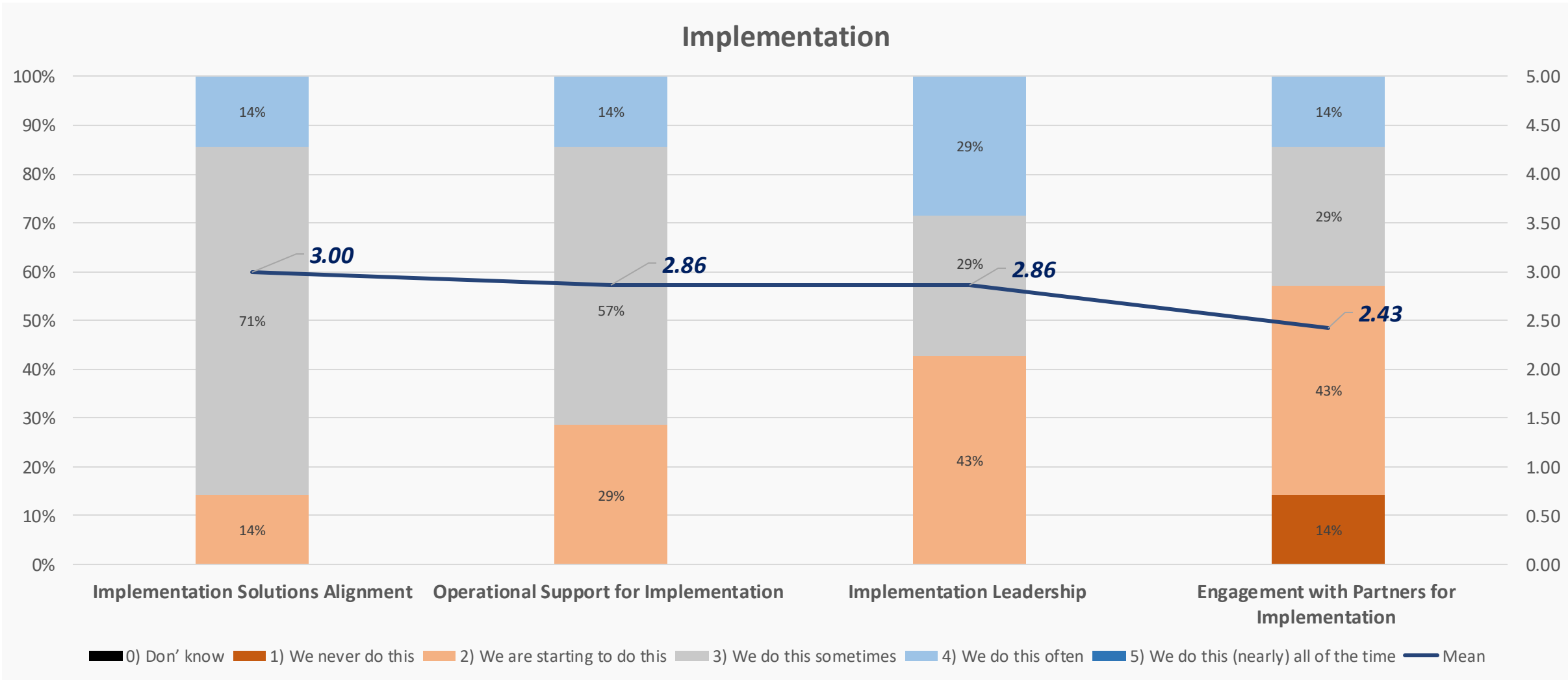
Poll 6

1. We actively engage with a diverse array of partners (patients & family, frontline providers, system leaders, researchers) to understand what drives behaviour and address foreseeable barriers to the implementation of programs. (Single choice)

36/36 (100%) answered



LHS Capabilities – Implementation



Learning Gear 5: Evaluation, Feedback & Adaptation



Description: Using multiple evaluation methods to measure how well a multicomponent intervention is working on a population and under what conditions. Constant feedback via intervention data is used to adapt the intervention to match patient needs.

Sample Questions: What evaluation logic model should be used? Are change processes being cemented? What degree of “reach” across equity-deserving groups? Are hypothesized outputs/early outcomes being achieved? Are there unintended consequences? What adaptations are needed to cement & scale?

Health System Affinities: Quality Improvement teams, performance management, business Intelligence/decision support/evaluation teams, clinical informatics etc.

Today's event: Supporting Evaluation in Learning Health Systems: What do OHTs need to know?

Presenters



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What is a logic model?

- Logic models visually summarize how a program is expected to work by listing: what resources will be used, what activities will be completed, and how the activities will lead to outcomes

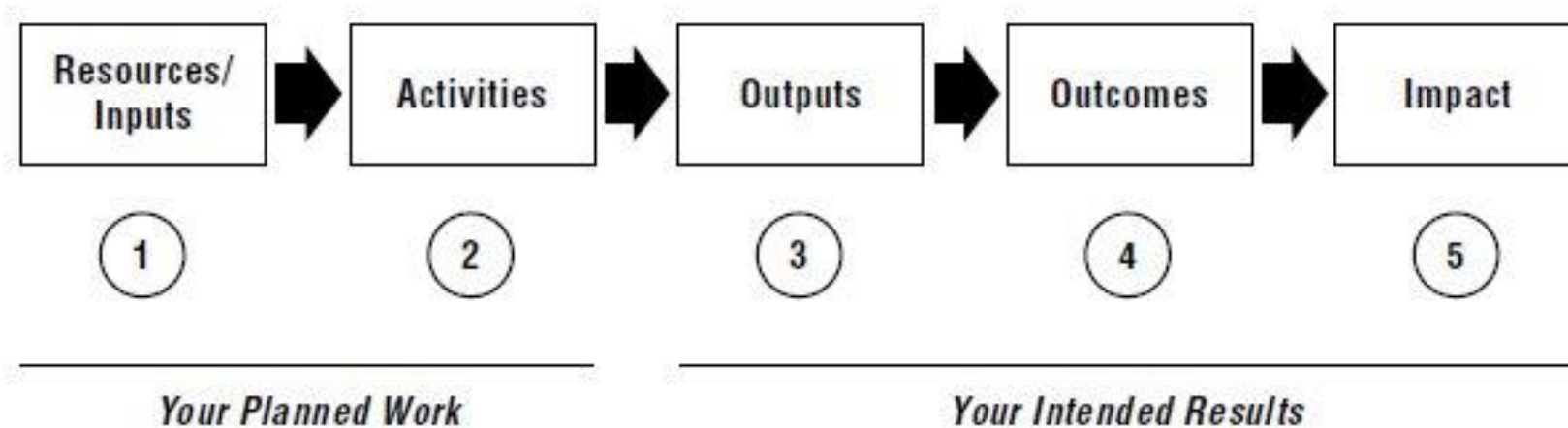
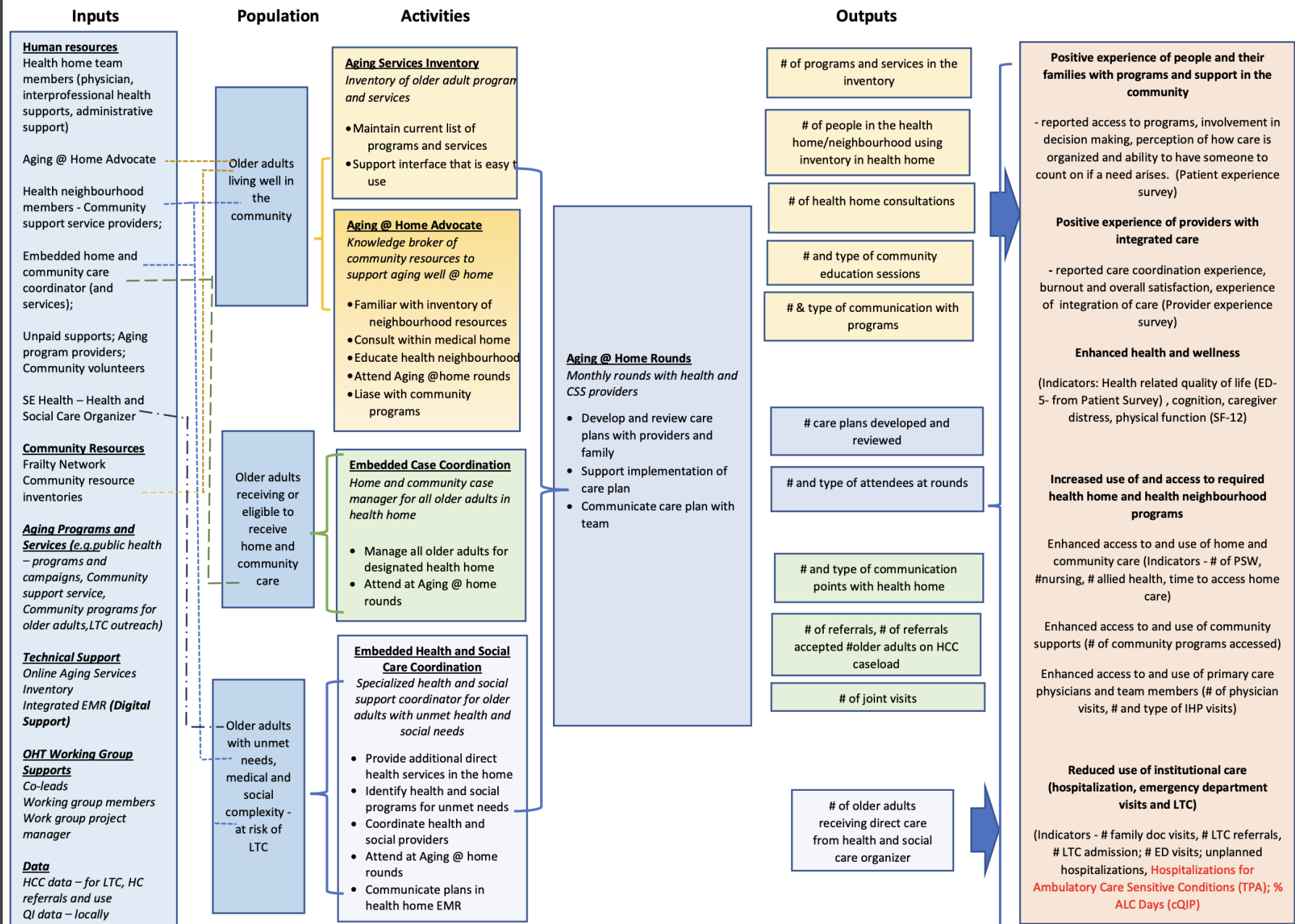


Figure 1. The Basic Logic Model.

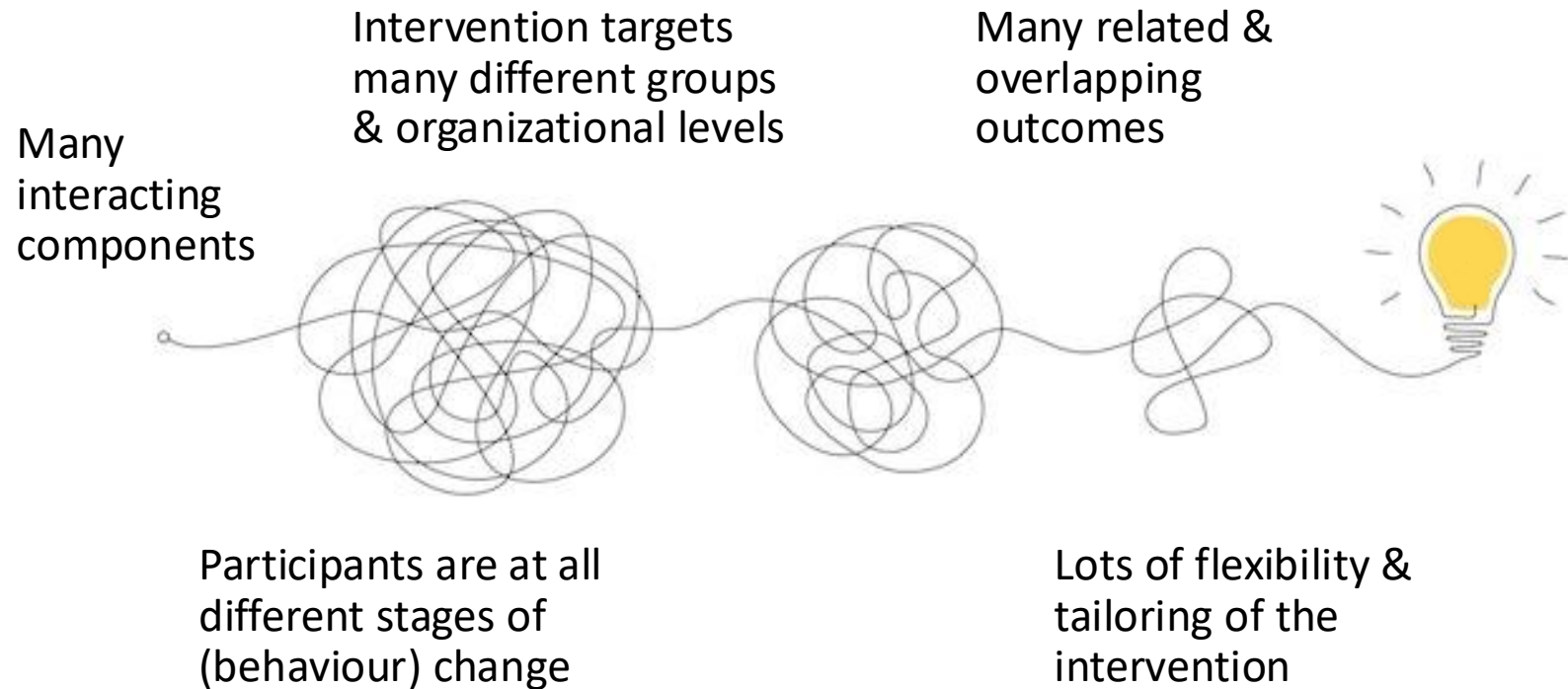
WORKING – DRAFT Logic Model

Aging Well @ Home



Community Wellness Hub

A Complex Intervention



Did it
work??





Learning from evaluation with Northern OHTs



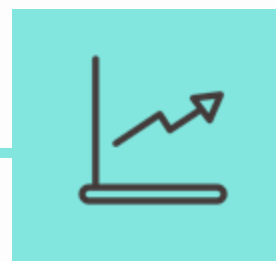
Team-based
works best

Share the work,
bring others along,
use resources wisely

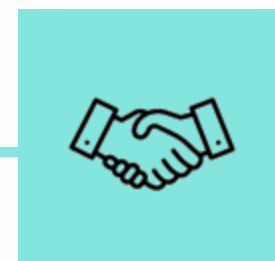


Make capacity-
building part of
the strategy

Helps to manage the
power dynamics too

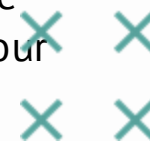


Data collection is
inevitable
Needs to be done
carefully,
strategically, and
with transparent
governance.



Know the “so
what” ahead of
time

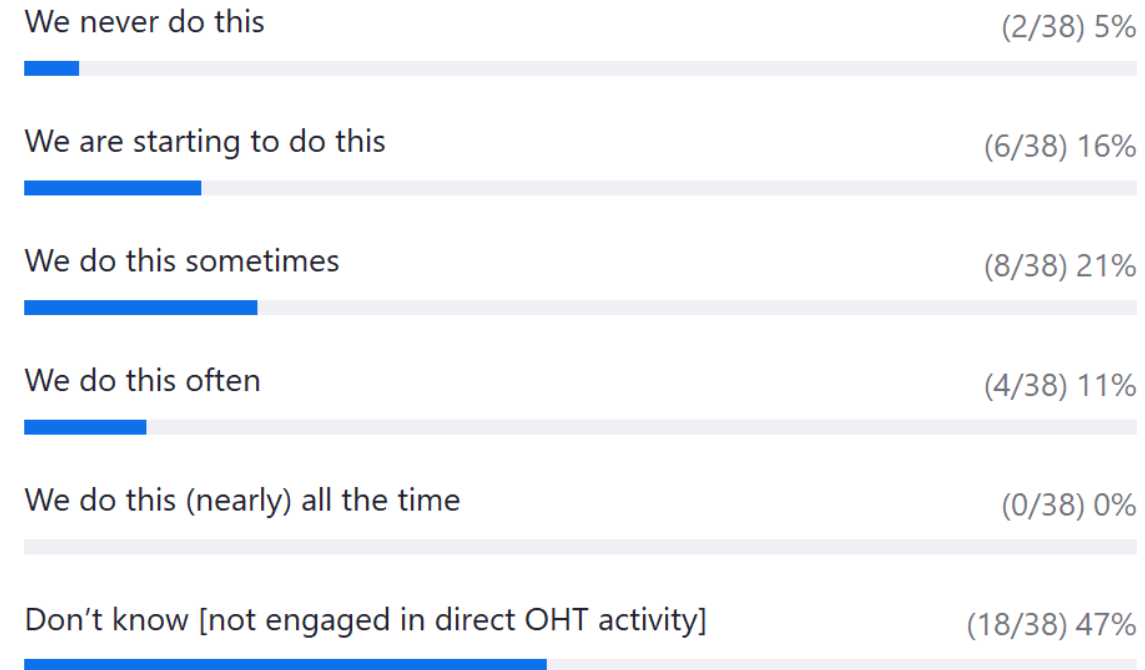
Commit to the
action, know your
why



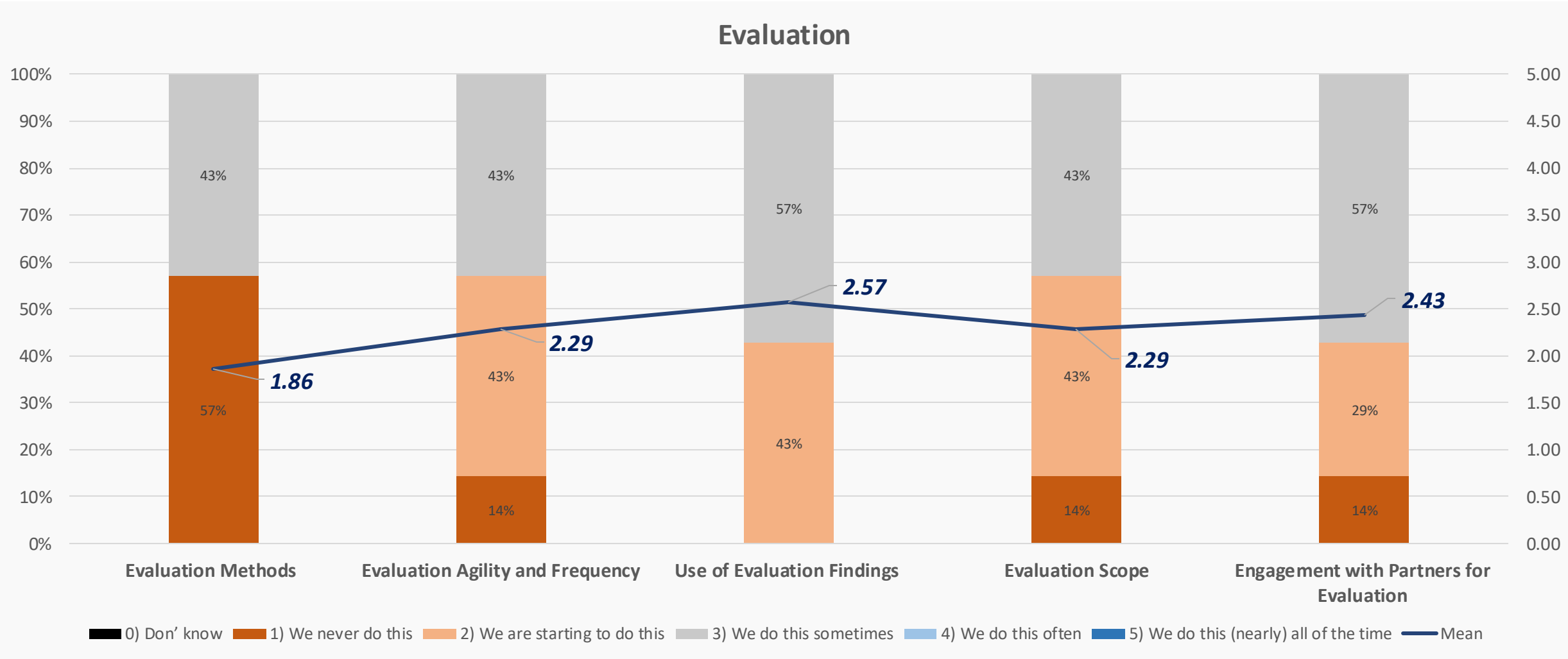
Poll 7

1. We use formal processes with ongoing data and frequent cycles of evaluation and feedback to assess performance against our objectives. (Single choice)

38/38 (100%) answered



LHS Capabilities – Evaluation



Open-Ended Comments: Opportunities and Strengths

Action-Plans



Inadequate staffing and high turnover: *"For work that impacts my area, inadequate staffing and lack of succession planning has been one of the many barriers for researchers requesting data for scientific investigations" (Manager, Program 2)*

Lack of resources for qualitative data analysis: *"One barrier is that we have many more resources dedicated to quantitative analyses compared with qualitative analyses" (Director, Program 3)*



Systematic process for recommendation/guideline development: *"We have developed a phased approach to developing our program recommendations and guidance (...) which includes systematic reviews of the evidence (..) and quality of the evidence followed by an expert panel step (...) as well as people with lived experience to contextualize the evidence to the Ontario setting and inform program decisions (Director, Program 2)*



Opportunity to engage with diverse patients, families, and caregivers in co-design activities: *"Improving the diversity of the patient and family advisors involved in co-design is an ongoing desire and challenge for us." (Vice President, Program 1)*

- Investigate root causes of high turnover
- Make case for data analyst position
- Develop succession plan and resources to facilitate work of new-hires (e.g. training material)
- Make case for hiring qualitative data analyst
- Train analysts in qualitative analysis methodology
- Disseminate best practices for guideline development to ensure uptake across programs
- Pilot test co-design initiative for patient engagement: document and disseminate best practices

Today's event:

Enablers and Barriers

(Fuel, Accelerants, Moderators and Brakes)

+ Measuring LHS capabilities?

Co-Hosts



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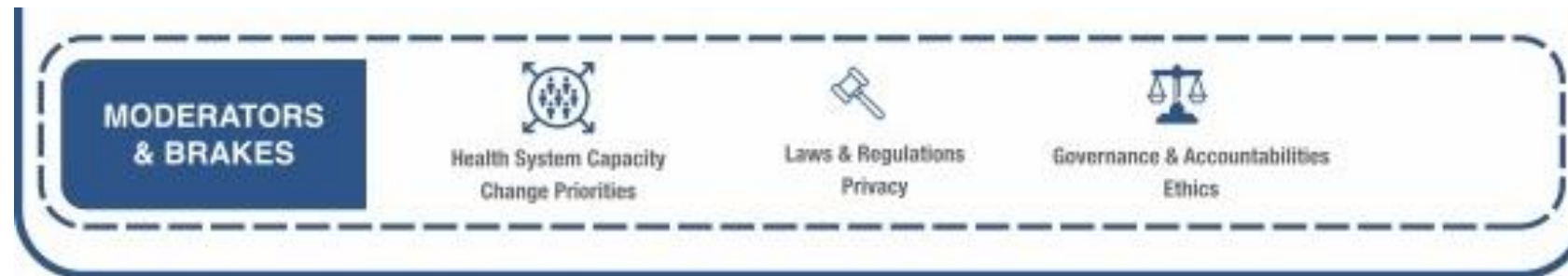


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Fuel, Accelerants, Moderators and Brakes



Building a sustainable infrastructure



Poll 8a

1. Which of the following are strengths in your OHT? (check all that are strengths ... weaknesses next...) (Multiple choice)

21/21 (100%) answered



Poll 8b

1. Which of the following are areas for improvement in your OHT? (check all that apply) (Multiple choice)

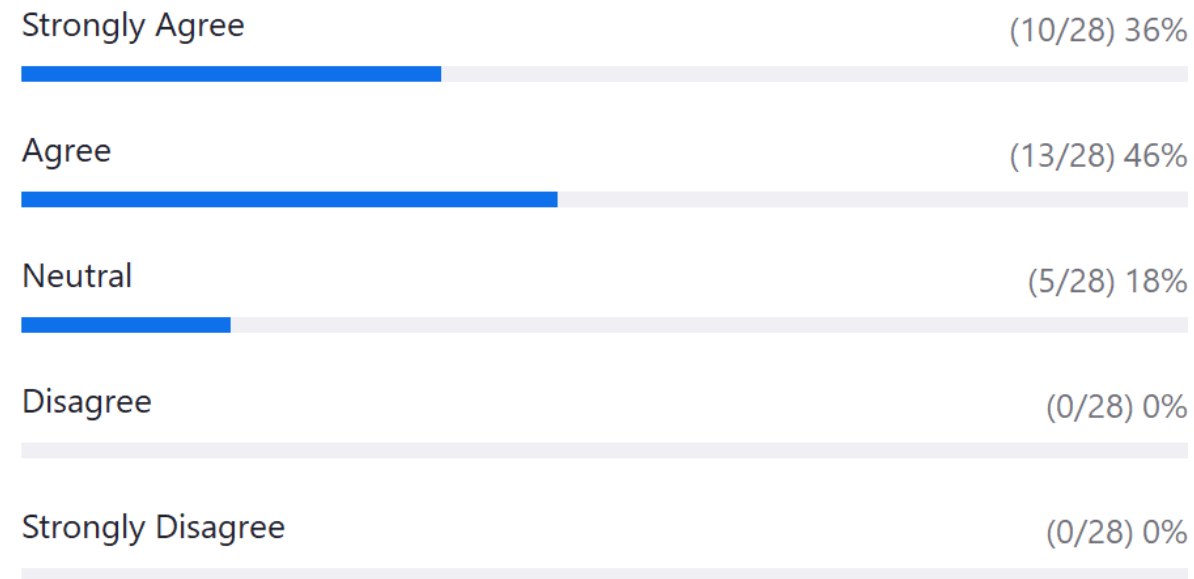
22/22 (100%) answered



Poll 9

1. Do you think it would be worthwhile to use a survey assess and report on OHT capabilities for adopting a Learning Health System Approach to improvement? (Single choice)

28/28 (100%) answered



Discussion Topic

1. What questions do you have about adopting a Learning Health System Approach to advancing your OHT priorities?
2. What challenges do you foresee in adopting a Learning Health System approach to your local OHT initiatives?

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Up Next

- HSPN webinar series
 - 4th Tuesday of the Month: 12:00 – 1:30 pm

Upcoming February 2025:

Patient Reported Outcome and Experience
Measures: Results from the OECD Patient
Reported Indicator Survey (PaRIS)

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