**AMCHP Innovation Station Effective Practices**

**Minimum Criteria Checklist**

Listed below are the minimum criteria that must be met to achieve each level along the continuum. They build upon each other; therefore, to move to a higher level, all criteria on each lower level must be met first.

### Cutting-Edge
- Describes the need observed and how the practice addresses this need.
- Describes the intended benefit to the key MCH population achieved by the practice.
- Describes how the practice addresses health inequities and discrimination.
- Describes who stakeholders are and why they were partnered with.
- Describes early signs of practice success.

### Emerging
- Describes any existing theories, research, standards/guidelines, models, programs etc. that were used to develop and/or implement the practice.
- Describes how the practice addresses at least one social determinants of health.
- Describes how stakeholders were involved throughout all practice processes and activities.
- Describes an evaluation plan appropriate for the scope of practice.
  - Including but not limited to relevant measures and practical methods for data collection and analysis.
- Describes a process for identifying lessons learned.

### Promising
- Describes relevant measures and methods for data collection and analysis.
- Presents evaluation data that demonstrate positive outcomes.
- Describes any potential biases in the evaluation of the practice, including those due to cultural or racial/ethnic differences.
- Describes how a continuous quality improvement process was implemented and any resulting changes made to the practice.
- Describes a process for identifying and assessing any unexpected or unintentional results.

### Best
- Provides evaluation data demonstrating that the practice addresses health inequities and discrimination at a systems level.
- Describes key stakeholders, how they were involved in main practice processes and activities, and any structures that support their meaningful participation in the practice.
- Presents evaluation data that clearly link positive outcomes observed to the practice and not to outside factors.
- Describes how the practice has been replicated and produced similar results for different populations and/or settings.
- Provides examples of how the practice has been externally validated such as through a peer review process, external evaluation, or dissemination of a report or product.

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