

# Selecting Improvement Strategies

- Determine the fit and feasibility of the proposed improvement strategies:
  - Use the Hexagon Tool to evaluate the appropriateness of each strategy.
    - Make sure that you address both the practices and systemic improvement strategies

# Phase I – Evaluate Evidence-Based Solutions: The Hexagon Tool

The Hexagon Tool helps states, communities, and agencies systematically evaluate new and existing interventions via six broad factors:

- 1. Needs** of individuals; how well the program or practice might meet identified needs.
- 2. Fit** with current initiatives, priorities, structures and supports, and parent/community values.
- 3. Resource Availability** for training, staffing, technology supports, data systems and administration.



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- 4. Evidence** indicating the outcomes that might be expected if the program or practices are implemented well.
- 5. Readiness** for Replication of the program, including expert assistance available, number of replications accomplished, exemplars available for observation, and how well the program is operationalized.
- 6. Capacity** to Implement as intended and to sustain and improve implementation over time.



# The Adapted Hexagon Improvement Strategy Exploration Tool Part C



The “Hexagon” can be used as a planning tool to evaluate evidence-based programs and practices during the Exploration Stage of Implementation. Download available at:

[www.scalingup.org/tools-and-resources](http://www.scalingup.org/tools-and-resources)



<b>EBP:</b>			
5 Point Rating Scale: High = 5; Medium = 3; Low = 1. Midpoints can be used and scored as a 2 or 4.			
	<b>High</b>	<b>Med</b>	<b>Low</b>
Need			
Fit			
Resource Availability			
Evidence			
Readiness for Replication			
Capacity to Implement			
<b>Total Score</b>			