

### Results First

Presentation to the Minnesota House Heath Finance and Policy Committee



### Overview

- Overview of Minnesota's Results First Initiative
- Defining Evidence
- Results First
- Tools for Finding Evidence-based Information

# Minnesota's Results First Initiative

### Our Goal

Goal: Produce evidence-based information that is understood, trusted, and used by policy-makers to produce better results for Minnesotans.

#### **Results First Projects**

#### **Complete:**

- Adult Mental Health
- Adult Criminal Justice
- Substance Use
- Juvenile Justice
- Child Welfare
- Higher Education
- Children's mental health
- Health

#### **Underway:**

- E-12 Education
- Human Services Grant Evaluations

#### **Stakeholders**

#### **Advisory Committee**

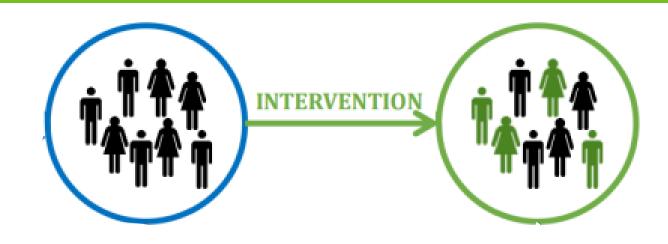
- Executive branch
- Legislative branch
- Tribal representation
- County representation
- Judicial branch

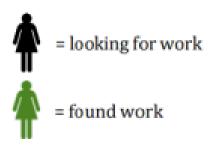
#### **Key Partners**

- Community groups
- Service providers

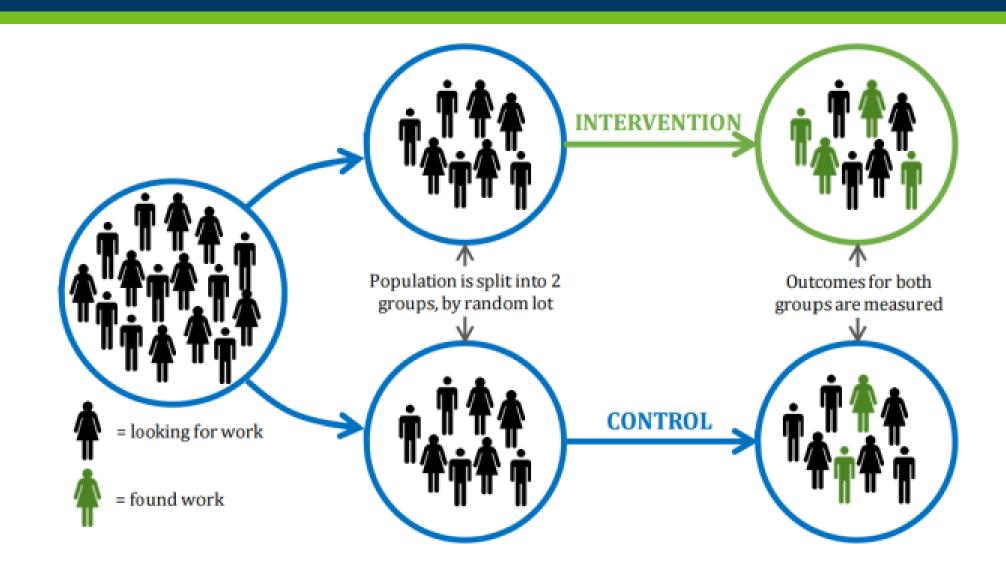
# Defining Evidence of Effectiveness

# Method for understanding what works





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# Levels of evidence

Proven Effective	A Proven Effective service or practice has a <b>positive impact</b> on outcomes as determined by <b>multiple rigorous evaluations</b> (such as randomized controlled trials) or rigorous local evaluations.
Promising	A Promising service or practice has a <b>positive impact</b> on outcomes as determined by some research demonstrating effectiveness, such as a <b>single randomized controlled trial or evaluation</b> with a comparison group design not contradicted by other such studies.
Theory Based	A Theory Based service or practice <b>has no rigorous research</b> on effectiveness or less rigorous research designs that do not meet the above standards. These services and practices typically have a well-constructed logic model or theory of change. This ranking is neutral.

# Levels of evidence

Mixed Effects	A Mixed Effects service or practice offers <b>a high level of research</b> on the effectiveness of multiple outcomes. However, the outcomes have <b>contradictory effects</b> . Research methods include rigorous evaluations, such as randomized controlled trials or rigorous local evaluations.
No Effect	A service or practice with No Effect has no statistically significant impact on the measured outcomes. Research methods include rigorous evaluations, such as randomized controlled trials or rigorous local evaluations.
Proven Harmful	A Proven Harmful service or practice offers a <b>high level of research</b> that shows program participation <b>adversely affects outcomes</b> of interest. Research methods include rigorous evaluations, such as randomized controlled trials or rigorous local evaluations.

# **Results First**

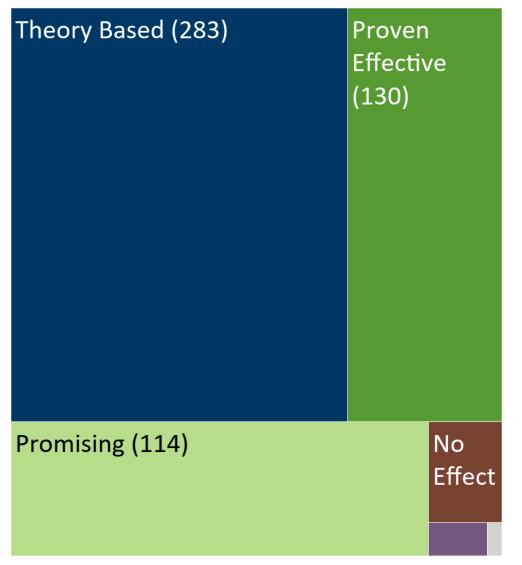
Using existing evidence to inform decisions

### Minnesota inventory

The combined inventory pulls together:

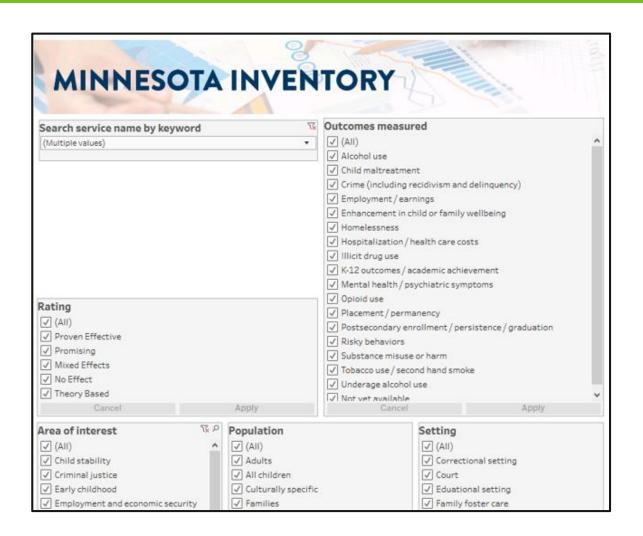
- 20 outcome measures
- 8 programmatic areas
- Almost 550 services/programs

https://mn.gov/mmb/results-first/inventory



# **Tools for Finding Evidence**

### Minnesota Inventory

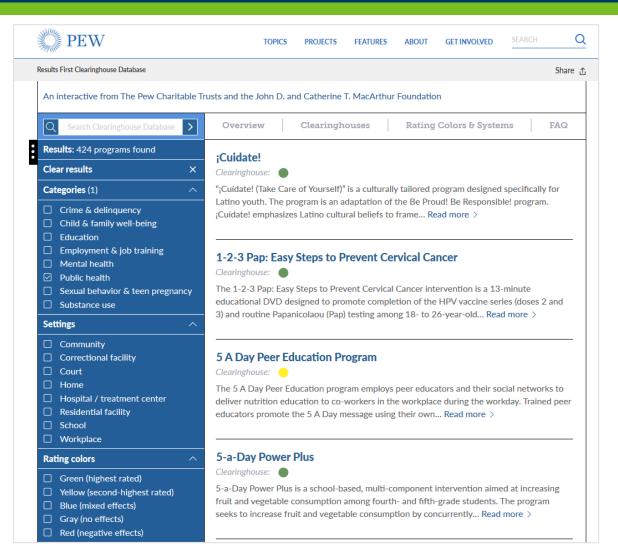


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### **National Clearinghouses**

#### **Results First Clearinghouse**

- Evidence ratings for 3,000 programs
- https://tinyurl.com/PewClearinghouse



### Results First Resources

- Using Evidence in Policymaking website: <a href="https://mn.gov/mmb/evidence/">https://mn.gov/mmb/evidence/</a>
  - Definitions of evidence
  - Resources for finding quality evidence
  - Trainings
- Results First website: <a href="https://mn.gov/mmb/results-first/">https://mn.gov/mmb/results-first/</a>
- Inventory of services: <a href="https://mn.gov/mmb/results-first/inventory/">https://mn.gov/mmb/results-first/inventory/</a>

# Questions?