#### APR Informational Webinar

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### Today's Agenda

What's New in APR Requirements?
Opportunities for Feedback
Program Measure considerations
Completing your APR

#### What's New

- Section C changes
- Upcoming changes to Program Measure 1
- Upcoming changes to Program Measure 2 language (improving implementation) and requirements.
- New long-term measure
- Submitting draft program measures

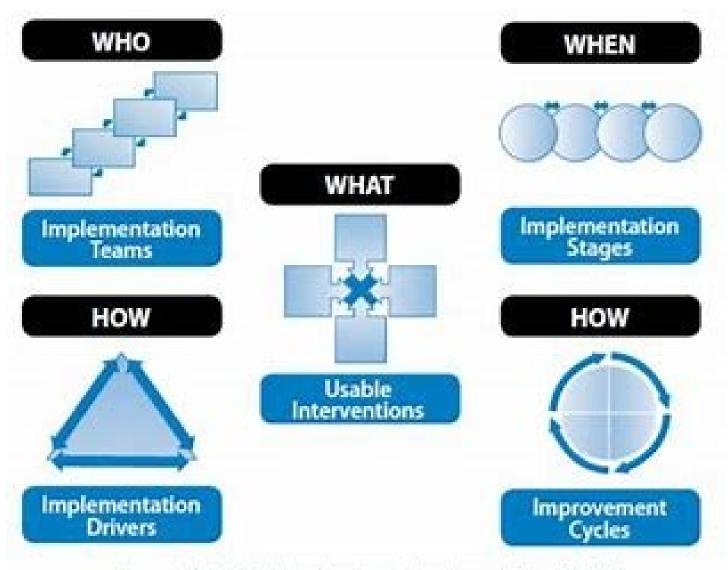
#### What's New

#### • APR Section C Instructions

- In Section C, please provide information about how school, district, regional (as appropriate) and State implementation teams are used for your initiative(s).
- Also in Section C, please provide a description of how you work with local entities (e.g., schools, districts) to plan for sustainability.

### Implementation Teams

- Rationale
- Effective Implementation Teams
- Purposes of implementation Teams
- Supporting teams
- Resources
- Questions?



Fixsen et al. (2005); National Implementation Research Network (2013)



# How do you use implementation teams for your SPDG?

#### Effective Implementation Teams (Aldridge et al., 2016)

- are comprised of **at least three to five individuals** with experience managing systems changes and data-based improvements to support the implementation of an innovation,
- incorporate expertise in chosen community prevention strategies as well as active implementation science and practice,
- are closely supported by and **linked to executive leaders** in the community prevention system, and
- are responsible for ensuring the cross-system and day-to-day **leadership and coordination functions** in Table 2 [15, 20].

#### Purposes (Rapp et al, 2008)

- Monitoring implementation through fidelity reviews.
- Making decisions concerning training & coaching.
- Ensuring the necessary EBP **structural features** were adopted such (e.g., changes regarding job duties, caseload size).
- Ensuring **adequate resources** are available for implementation.
- Aligning other agency practices to be consistent and supportive of the EBP.
- Formulating **solutions to obstacles** as they arise.

# Linked Implementation Teams



#### Rationale for Implementation Teams

- Teams support full implementation and sustainability (Barwick, Kimber, & Fearing, 2011; McIntosh, Mercer, Nese, Strickland-Cohen, & Hoselton. (2016).Rapp et al., 2008)
- Teams support consistent and meaningful communication related to the initiative (NIRN)
- Responds to common **challenges** 
  - Turnover
  - Need for diffuse knowledge (esp for MTSS!)
  - Increased opportunities for collaboration
  - Connecting the initiative to leadership

#### Effective Use of Implementation Teams

#### • See Georgia <u>EB-PD Worksheet</u>

• Measuring team effectiveness:

• Six months after initial participation in the Tertiary Behavior Supports professional development, 80% of Tertiary Behavior Supports teams will be implementing evidence-based tertiary behavior practices as identified through coaches' document review.

• Kentucky <u>example</u>

# Supporting Teams

- Systems Coaching
- Supporting Team Effectiveness
  - Team Functioning Scale
  - Team-initiated Problem Solving (TiPS)
  - Implementation Team Look-fors
- <u>Team fidelity measure used for action</u> <u>planning</u>

#### Implementation Team Resources

#### Module 3 Implementation Teams

Implementation Teams support the implementation, sustainability, and scale-up of usable innovations by integrating the use of implementation stages, drivers and improvement cycles. This module is designed to assist new and existing Implementation Teams in actively building capacity and scaling-up programs and innovations.

#### View Module >

#### Module 5 Improvement Cycles

Improvement Cycles support the purposeful process of change. Implementation Teams use Improvement Cycles to change on purpose. In this module you will learn about Improvement Cycles and how to begin applying them in your setting.

#### View Module >

https://nirn.fpg.unc.edu/module-3

https://nirn.fpg.unc.edu/module-6

### Other Resources

- Communication Protocols <u>https://nirn.fpg.unc.edu/resources/handout-</u> <u>8-communication-protocols-worksheet</u>
- Building Implementation Team
  - https://nirn.fpg.unc.edu/resources/handout-7-building-implementation-team-bit
- District Implementation Team

<u>https://nirn.fpg.unc.edu/resources/handout-</u> <u>6-district-implementation-team-dit</u>



Do you think any of these resources (including the team scales) will be helpful for you?



## Questions about Implementation Teams?

#### efforts don't have enough traction.

Most school



On average 70% of new, large-scale initiatives fail.

#### **#1 REASON**

strategic efforts don't succeed is flawed execution.

### Sustainability

"Also in Section C, please provide a description of how you work with local entities (e.g., schools, districts) to plan for sustainability."

#### Memo

#### To: School Administrators From: District Administrators

In keeping with the new state initiative, this fall we will be implementing an exciting new district initiative of SNI in place of LYI. All Pro-D days previously scheduled for LYI will be rescheduled as staff development for SNI. The \$500 for release time and materials for LYI will be discontinued and provided instead for SNI. By the way, you will need to create local SNI teams that meet weekly. The former members of your LYI team would be perfect for this new team. Your new SNI binders will be coming next week. Have a great year!!!

Slides taken from McIntosh presentation (2015)

# Planning for Sustainability

What is meant by sustainability?
Impact of planning for sustainability
Sustainability considerations/components
Mutual selection process
Checklists/Measurement

# Poll: What do you think sustainability is?

Please use the chat pod to respond.

# What is meant by sustainability?

Sustainability

Durable implementation of a practice at a level of fidelity that continues to produce valued outcomes (McIntosh et al., 2009)

#### What is... fidelity of implementation?

• The extent to which the critical features of an innovation are implemented as intended

# Why assess it?

- Helps us improve outcomes for students
- Helps team target next steps and areas for improvement

Slide from McIntosh presentation (2015)

#### Poll: What State level actions do you think lead to sustainability of your initiative?

Please use the chat pod.

### States sustaining PBIS had:

- State PBIS leadership teams
- State-level trainers, trainings, and training curricula
- State recognition systems (for schools with strong implementation and/or outcomes)
- Regular use of the SWPBIS Implementation Blueprint (Sugai et al., 2010) to assess and inform implementation

McIntosh, K., Mercer, S. H., Nese, R. N. T., Strickland-Cohen, M. K., & Hoselton, R. (2016). Predictors of sustained implementation of School-wide PBIS at 3 and 5 years after initial implementation. "Journal of Positive Behavior Interventions".

# Grant funding as a **threat** to sustainability

- Singular focus on **training** school and district personnel
- Hiring (and firing) external support personnel
- "Project Mentality" (Adelman and Taylor, 2003)

Slide from McIntosh (2015)

#### Four Principles for Sustaining PBIS (Slide from McIntosh, 2015)

o Promote <u>PRIORITY</u>

- Ensure **EFFECTIVENESS**
- Increase **EFFICIENCY**

• Use data for **CONTINUOUS REGENERATION** 

# What is **PRIORITY?**

- Importance in comparison to other practices
- Incorporation into core system components
- Connection to other initiatives

# Promoting **PRIORITY**

• Maximize visibility

- Present data to people with resources
- Describe effects of abandoning support for the practice
- Get into written policy
- Braid project with other initiatives
  - Show how practice can lead to outcomes of new initiatives

#### Strategies for Enhancing Principal Support

#### o District Actions

- Provide "Principal PBIS Academies" for new administrators
  - Basics of PBIS
  - Role of administrators
- Provide coaching to schools

#### o Networking

- Arrange informal conversations with other principals supportive of PBIS
- Arrange site visits at nearby PBIS schools

#### o At the School

• Help school staff demonstrate support

# Steps in Braiding Initiatives

- 1. Identify shared, valued outcomes
  - What are our overall goals?
- 2. Defend against activities that don't help us meet those goals
  - No free lunches
- 3. Find common structures (and language) that can be integrated
  - Teams, data, professional development

### Make PBIS Efforts Public!

• Newsletters

• To parents

• Monthly/quarterly reports

• To school staff

• Formal presentations

- To school board
- To district administrators
- o To PTA
- To community agencies and businesses
- Local news

## What is **EFFECTIVENESS?**

- Extent to which the practice results in desired outcomes
- Effects must be attributed to the practice

# Ensuring **EFFECTIVENESS**

- Focus on FIDELITY OF IMPLEMENTATION
- Assess it regularly
- Use it to enhance what you already do
  Share data showing how fidelity is related to effects

## What is **EFFICIENCY?**

- Relationship between continued effort and continued effectiveness
- Weighed against other potential practices

# Increasing **EFFICIENCY**

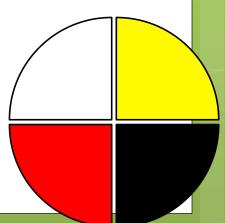
#### • Get it down on paper

- Lesson plans
- Schedules
- Agendas

• Focus on efficient team meetings

#### What is **CONTINUOUS REGENERATION?**

- Collection of data to monitor <u>fidelity</u>, <u>outcomes</u> and <u>context</u>
- Adaptation over time while keeping critical features intact
- Ongoing investment in building local capacity



## Using data for CONTINUOUS REGENERATION

- Adjust practices for a changing environment
  - Priority
  - Effectiveness
  - Efficiency
- Connect with a community of practice

#### Create <u>Communities of</u> <u>Practice</u>

- Share fairs, networking sessions, district mini-conferences, web-based sharing
- Opportunities for school teams to:
  - Celebrate successes
  - Learn from peers
  - Steal ideas
  - Continue momentum
  - Invite important stakeholders

Poll: Do you currently use a measure of initiative sustainability?

If yes, what is it? Please add in the chat pod.

#### A School Team Planning Tool for Sustainability

• The SUBSIST Checklist

- A research validated self-assessment and action planning tool for school teams and coaches
- An integrated action plan for sustainability
- Available for free at:

https://kentmcintosh.files.wordpress.com/201 1/04/subsist-checklist-1-1.pdf

# Poll: Could you use a checklist like SUBSIST with your sites?

If no, please explain in the chat pod.

## What is more important to sustainability?

• Having a supportive administrator

• Having a strong implementation team

#### Takeaways

- PBIS is most sustainable with a supportive administrator **and** a strong team
- If administrators take too much of a lead, sustainability can suffer
- School teams can benefit from training in running meetings and using data
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## Upcoming Changes



#### Changes to EB-PD Rubric

Program Measure 1

#### Five Elements of Fidelity



Changes to Program Measure 2



## New Long-term Program Measure

#### Also new...

Please submit your draft Program
 Measures to your Project Officer by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for review. You do not need to submit your Project Measures, only your Program Measures.

#### Other Opportunities for Feedback: EB-PD Worksheets

- If you would like another SPDG's feedback on your EB-PD worksheet...
  - Email me (jennifer.coffey@ed.gov) and I will connect you with another State.
  - You can decide timelines and how feedback is to be provided with each other.
  - We can determine best practices for next year.

#### Program Measure Overview

Watch the external reviewers' webinar: <u>http://coe-signet.uoregon.edu:9002/Recordings/2019/11-01-</u>2019\_ImprovingMeasureSubmissions.mp4

#### Resources

#### http://www.signetwork.org/content\_pages/205

NEW Evidence-based Professional Development Components Worksheet (Posted 1/26/16)

Worksheet Exemplar. GA SPDG (Posted 9/19/2018)

Rubric A: SPDG Evidence-based Professional Development Components Rubric (Posted 1/15/15)

#### **Exemplar Continuation Reports**

2016 Kansas Exemplar Annual Performance Report (posted 2/2018)

2016 Alabama Exemplar Annual Performance Report (posted 2/2018)

#### Exemplar Final Report

Alabama Exemplar Final Report (posted 2/2019)

#### Recent Program Measures Guidance (3/27/2014)

Guidance for Measure 1 (PDF)

Guidance for Measure 2 (PDF)

Guidance for Measure 3 (PDF)

Guidance for Measure 4 (PDF)

Rubric B (PDF)

Recent Program Measures Guidance, Event Recording

Recent Program Measures Guidance Presentation (PDF)

#### Rubric B

http://www.signetwork.org/content\_pages/205

#### GPRA Measure – Evidencebased Professional Development

• Measure 1.1 of 1: Percentage of SPDGfunded initiatives that meet benchmarks for use of evidence-based professional development practices to support the attainment of identified competencies.

## Components to Highlight

- <u>B(5) Training:</u> **Trainers** (the people who trained PD participants) are **trained**, **coached**, **and observed**.
- <u>C(2) Coaching:</u> SPDG coaches use multiple sources of information in order to provide assistive feedback to those being coached and also provide appropriate instruction or modeling.
- <u>D(3) Performance Assessment:</u> Implementation fidelity and student outcome data are shared regularly with stakeholders at multiple levels (SEA, regional, local, individual, community, other agencies).

- <u>D(4):</u> Goals are created with benchmarks for implementation and student outcome data, and successes are shared and celebrated.
- <u>D(5)</u>: Participants are instructed in how to provide data to the SPDG Project.
- <u>E(2)</u>: Leadership at various education levels (SEA, regional, LEA, school, as appropriate) analyzes feedback regarding barriers and successes and makes the necessary decisions and changes, including revising policies and procedures to alleviate barriers and facilitate implementation

#### **EB-PD** Worksheet Findings

- Need data submission details.
- Describe procedures for analyzing data to recognize barriers.
- Describe data systems and the **alignment** of data systems.
- Need stronger **descriptions of roles**.
- Describe changes to policies and procedures to support a new way of work.
- Note: Be careful about extraneous info.

#### Recommendations

- Review exemplar worksheet from Georgia: <u>http://www.signetwork.org/content\_page</u> <u>s/205</u>
- Use bullets in your EB-PD Worksheet
- Have a SPDG "**novice**" **review** your worksheet (good use of interns/doc students)
  - Or have another State review!

#### GPRA Measure – Improving Implementation

• Measure 2.1 of 2: The percentage of Special Education State Personnel Grant funded Initiatives that meet benchmarks for improvement in implementation of SPDG-supported practices over time.

#### Considerations

- Be clear about the fidelity measure you used.
  - How will the reviewers know it's a fidelity measure?
- If your fidelity measure is a self-assessment, please describe 20% external observation reliability check.
  - If it's not a self-assessment make that very clear in your description.
- Setting next year's targets... are your targets appropriate? Discuss with your Project Officer if your answer is "no".

## Setting Targets

• Challenging but achievable

- Analyzing your history and the outcomes other initiatives are experiencing.
- Set the target for your out-years
  - Work with your Project Officer
  - Targets can be changed

#### GPRA Measure – Sustaining Implementation

 Measure 2.2 of 2: The percentage of Special Education State Personnel Grantfunded initiatives that meet targets for the use of funds to sustain SPDG-supported practices. Overall APR Considerations

#### Large Available Balances (LAB)

- You will receive an email if you have a LAB.
- You will need to complete the SF-424 financial form and attach it to your APR in G5.
- Note that the financial form is shown for every grantee, but only those who are notified must include it with their APR.

### **Outcome Measures**

• Congressional Justification

- Telling your story
- There is no downside for setting outcome targets.

## Planning for the Future

- Child outcome measures
- "Fidelity" terminology
  - Implementation fidelity
  - Intervention fidelity
  - Implementation strategies
- Program Measure 2 fidelity measure:
  - Closest to child outcome
- What do you think?

### **APR** Overview

#### GRANTEE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Annual Performance Report

• Final Performance Report

## COMPLETING THE ED 524B

The ED 524B is a required annual and final performance reporting form with specific instructions.

- The form is used by all ED grants and has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Project Directors must follow the directions listed in the Dear Colleague letter and ED 524B Instructions provided by OSEP
- Word or PDF versions of the forms are available at <u>http://www2.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html</u>

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### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORTS

#### **Reporting Period:**

For first year grants, the date is the beginning (i.e., start date) of the project though February 28th.

For grants in years 2-5, it is the date from the end of the previous reporting period (March 1st, 20--) through February 28th, 20--.

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#### Budget Expenditures (To be completed by your Business Office. See instructions. Also see Section B.)

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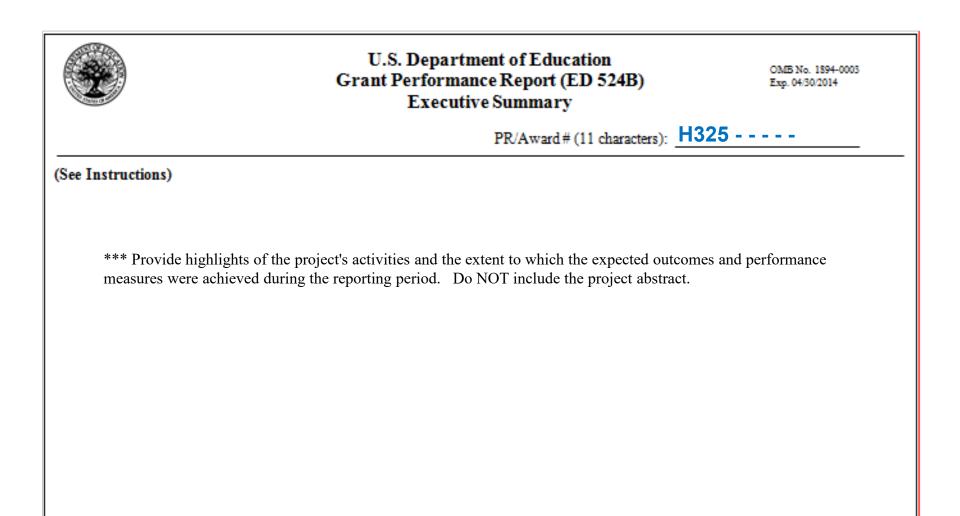
# ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORTS

#### **Performance Measure Status:**

- This will be checked "**No**" for all performance reports. The APR contains data for **the reporting period**.
- The date entered here will be the due date for your Final Performance Report, which is 90 days after the end of the grant.
- Signatory must have authority to sign on behalf of the institution since the grant is from the Department to the institution and not to an individual. (This person is typically not the Project Director).

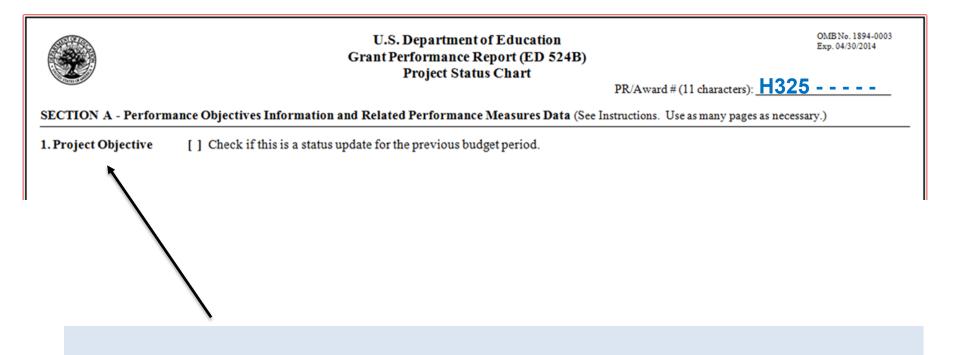
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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET**



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Explanation of Progress (Include Qualitative Data and Data Collection Information)



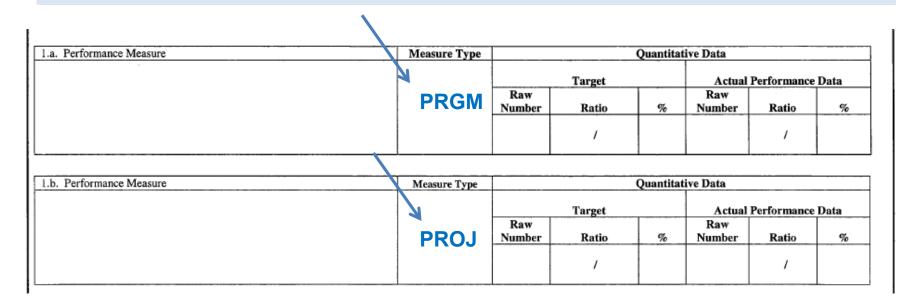
Enter one of the project's objectives; on subsequent pages, you will enter additional project objectives as submitted in your grant application.

Enter the **PROGRAM** performance measure(s) that align with the objective immediately followed by any **PROJECT** measure(s) developed to address that program measure.

Enter any additional **PROJECT** performance measures that show you are measuring progress toward meeting the objective (e.g., 1c., 1d.,).

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Here you identify if the performance measure is a PROGRAM measure, "PRGM," or a PROJECT measure, "PROJ."



Note: **Program** measure refers to one of the SPDG shared performance measures for the Professional Development Program. **Project** measures are unique to your grant.

#### **Quantitative data:**

Depending on your measure, enter either a raw number **or** a ratio and percentage. Enter the target number identified in the performance measure and then the actual data for this year. If complete data are not available for the measure, enter actual data for the reporting period and provide an explanation at the bottom of the page.

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# INFORMATION TO INCLUDE IN THE EXPLANATION OF PROGRESS SECTION

- Describe the data provided (e.g., what data collection methods were used, when were the data collected, how was a sample drawn, are there missing/incomplete data, what was the response rate, was a reliability measure taken). Your Project Officer should be able to understand and interpret the numbers in the chart from your description in this section.
- What changes in the data occurred since last APR (i.e., trend)?
- What activities were undertaken to achieve the targets?
- If targets were not met, what are possible reasons?
- How will activities that failed to meet targets be improved?



#### U.S. Department of Education Grant Performance Report (ED 524B) Project Status Chart

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SECTION A - Performance Objectives Information and Related Performance Measures Data (See Instructions. Use as many pages as necessary.)

**1. Project Objective** [] Check if this is a status update for the previous budget period.

#### Provide learning opportunities that allow scholars to succeed as faculty in higher education.

**Explanation of Progress (Include Qualitative Data and Data Collection Information)** 

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#### SECTION B – BUDGET INFORMATION

#### THIS SECTION IS NEVER BLANK!

- A. Actual expenditures for reporting period.
- B. Provide an explanation if you did not expend funds at the expected rate.
- C. Describe any significant changes to your budget resulting from modifications to project activities.
- D. Describe any changes to your budget that affected your ability to achieve your approved project activities and/or project objectives.
- E. Do you expect to have any unexpended funds at the end of the current budget period? (Explain why, provide an estimate, and indicate how you plan to use the unexpended funds [carryover] in the next budget period.)
- F. Describe any anticipated changes in your budget for the next budget period that require prior approval from the Department.

# SECTION C – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- If applicable, please provide a list of current partners on your grant and indicate if any partners changed during the reporting period. Please indicate if you anticipate any change in partners during the next budget period. If any of your partners changed during the reporting period, please describe whether this influenced your ability to achieve your approved project objectives and/or project activities.
- Describe any changes that you wish to make in the grant's activities for the next budget period that are consistent with the scope and objectives of your approved application.

# SUBMITTING THE ED 524B

- □ Submit the ED 524B at <u>http://www.g5.gov/</u> (there are instructions for using G5 in the continuation packet)
- A signed ED 524B Cover Sheet must be uploaded in G5.
- Refer to the Final Performance Report sections in the Grant Performance Report Instructions if you are submitting your final report.
- Contact your project officer for reporting requirements during a no-cost extension period.

# Contact your OSEP Project Officer with any questions!

## OVERVIEW

Project Objectives

Recognize strong **project objectives** that can be associated with high-quality performance measures

Performance Measures

Develop relevant, measurable, outcome-oriented **performance measures** that maximize the potential for meaningful data

# WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

#### **HIGH-QUALITY OBJECTIVES & MEASURES:**

Make it easier for you to measure your progress

Allow you to report progress easily and quantitatively

Establish targets (both short-term/annual and longterm) Allow OSEP staff to gather evidence of program effectiveness

Taken from the Center for Evaluation and Education Policy (CEEP) presentation

### **GOAL - OBJECTIVES - MEASURES**

#### **Program Goal**

**Project Objectives:** What your project is doing to support the overall program goal (Found in your application)

Performance Measures: How you measure your progress toward meeting your objectives (Program/ GPRA, Project)

Taken from the Center for Evaluation and Education Policy (CEEP) presentation

#### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

# WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH?

Preferred format for objectives: Begin the objective with a verb and define a desired outcome or condition

#### HIGH QUALITY PROJECT OBJECTIVES

#### RELEVANCE

#### **APPLICABILITY**

How relevant is the project objective to the overall goal of the program and/or the goal of your project? How applicable is the project objective to the specific activities that are being conducted through your particular project?

#### FOCUS

#### **MEASURABILITY**

How focused is the project objective?

Are there concepts in the project objective that lend themselves to measurement? If so, is measurement feasible?

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

# How are you measuring your progress in meeting your objectives?

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES ARE:

Measurable indicators used to determine how well objectives are being met.

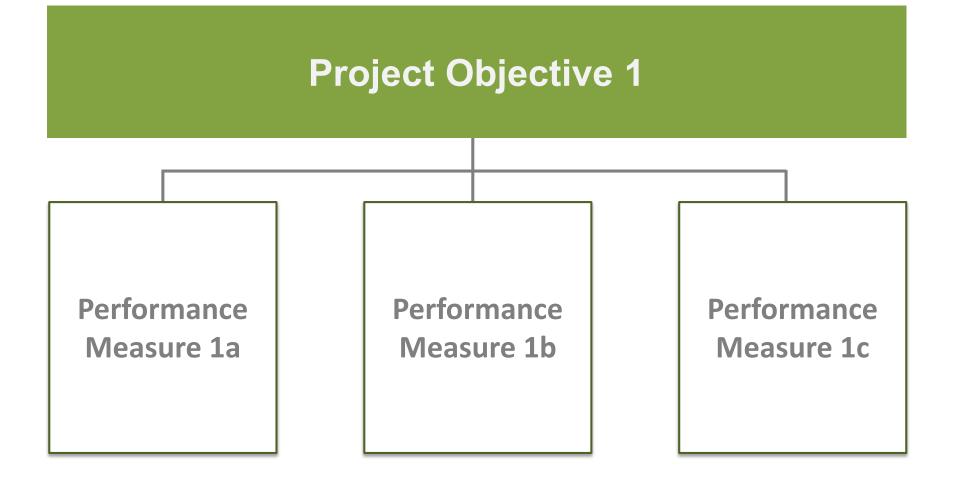
How will progress be assessed?

How much progress will constitute success?

How will it be known if an objective or part of an objective has been achieved?

Taken from the Center for Evaluation and Education Policy (CEEP) presentation

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES



#### TYPES OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES

#### Program

Measures established by OSEP for the Personnel Development program. These include measures established for reporting to Congress under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993.

#### TYPES OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES

#### **Project Measures**

- Measures that the grantee establishes to meet their project objectives
  - Project performance measures can address both the process of working towards an objective and the outcome related to meeting the objective
  - □ Ensure a mix of both process and **outcome** measures

#### HIGH-QUALITY PERFORMANCE MEASURES

#### High-quality performance measures show:

- □ What will change.
- □ **How much** change you expect.
- □ **Who** will achieve the change.
- □ **When** the change will take place.

## PROJECT PERFORMANCE MEASURE EXAMPLES

Process Measure (e.g.,) Project staff (who) will implement 4 (how much) targeted recruitment activities (what ) during the first year of the grant (when).

Outcome measure (e.g.,) At the end of Year 2 (when), inquiries about the program (what) from potential candidates from underrepresented groups (who) will increase 20% (how much) from previous recruitment efforts during the first year of the grant.

Outcome measure (e.g.,)

Process Measure (e.g.,) At the end of each semester (when), 100% of scholars (who) will rate their mentoring support (what) as 5 or higher on a 7-point scale (how much) using a survey developed for the project.

At the end of the project (when), 100% of students (who) will produce at minimum of 3 scholarly products (e.g., manuscripts, presentations, preliminary exams) (what) that are rated by a panel of 3 faculty as showing "strong and substantial application" (how much) of evidence based practice in language and literacy.

#### COMMON PROBLEMS

- □ Activities are **NOT** performance measures
- □ If the best response is "Yes, we did that," it is likely an activity (not a performance measure)
- □ Examples of activities:
  - □ Training a certain number of sites
  - □ Hold an Advisory Board meeting quarterly
  - □ Establish a mentoring program
  - □ Evaluate the project
- □ Performance measures need to be measurable

# Need additional information on writing performance measures?

Please contact your project officer for additional resources on developing performance measures and logic models

#### SUMMARY

- Projects should have a few clear objectives that explain what the project is doing to support their overall goal(s)
- Each objective should have a few, specific performance measures to demonstrate how progress toward meeting the objective is being measured