

### Tools for CBCAP

Collaboration Toolkit and Cost Analysis Guidance

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### Overview



- FRIENDS National Center for CBCAP has a wealth of resources available on the website
- Materials are designed to flexibly support diverse needs of CBCAP grantees
- This presentation is intended to provide you with an introduction to two resources you might not be familiar with

### Overview of presentation

### 1. The Collaboration Toolkit

- Achieving equity and uplifting parent voices
- Group discussion
- Why collaborate?
- Collective Impact
- The Collaboration Toolkit
  - How to find it
  - Examples
- Questions & Feedback

### 2. Cost Analysis resources

- Achieving equity and uplifting parent voices
- Group discussion
- Introduction to materials
  - The Practitioner's Guide to Cost Analysis: First Steps
  - The Practitioner's Guide to Cost Analysis Part 2: Conducting Your First Cost Analysis
  - Costing templates
- Questions & Feedback

3. Questions and feedback: what kind of resources are most helpful to you?





How collaboration ties in with achieving equity and uplifting parent voices

- Collaborative tools facilitate engaging across multiple perspectives, experiences, institutional realities
- Designed to build trust, develop a shared vision, and establish norms of working together through barriers and conflict

### Opening discussion

- Experiences, doing currently, challenges
- What do you do to collaborate? With whom do you collaborate?
- Why should we collaborate?
- What's your experience with the Collaboration Toolkit?

### Why collaborate?

The <u>CBCAP grantees are in a unique position of leadership</u> as they assume responsibility for directing, leading and evaluating the network of public-private partnerships and the <u>continuum of preventive services</u> for children and families in their states.

Our children's safety and well-being will be best ensured when federal, state, local community agencies, and stakeholders collaborate to better coordinate programs and services, and be <u>responsive to the needs of all families</u>.

### Why collaborate?

### We're in a moment

- Widespread interest in prevention
- Recognition that systems have to work together to prevent maltreatment
- Funding opportunities

### Why collaborate?

### Simple

Baking a Cake



### Complicated

Sending a Rocket to the Moon



### Complex

Raising a Child



| Table 1 |             |     |         |                 |
|---------|-------------|-----|---------|-----------------|
| Simple, | Complicated | and | Complex | <b>Problems</b> |

| Following a Recipe                                                                      | Sending a Rocket to the Moon                                              | Raising a Child                                                                       |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| The recipe is essential                                                                 | Formulae are critical and necessary                                       | Formulae have a limited application                                                   |  |
| Recipes are tested to assure easy replication                                           | Sending one rocket increases assurance that the next will be OK           | Raising one child provides experience<br>but no assurance of success with the<br>next |  |
| No particular expertise is required.<br>But cooking expertise increases<br>success rate | High levels of expertise in a variety of fields are necessary for success | Expertise can contribute but is neither necessary nor sufficient to assure success    |  |
| Recipes produce standardized products                                                   | Rockets are similar in critical ways                                      | Every child is unique and must be<br>understood as an individual                      |  |
| The best recipes give good results every time                                           | There is a high degree of certainty of outcome                            | Uncertainty of outcome remains                                                        |  |
| Optimistic approach to problem possible                                                 | Optimistic approach to problem possible                                   | Optimistic approach to problem possible                                               |  |

• Source: Glouberman and Zimmerman 2002

### Collective Impact

- The commitment of a group of actors from different sectors to a common agenda for solving a specific problem
- Five key components:
  - Common agenda
  - Shared measurement
  - Mutually reinforcing activities
  - Continuous communication
  - Backbone support

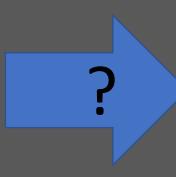
Kania and Kramer 2011

Prerequisites for Collective Impact

- 1. Sense of urgency
- 2. Influential champion
- 3. Funding

### Collective impact

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### FRIENDS Collaboration Toolkit

- Devoted to what happens "behind the scenes"
  - How do you get to something that looks like collective impact?
- Continuous communication, shared measurement, and mutually reinforcing activities are not only *methods* but also *goals*: they are the *result* of successful collaboration

### Where to find it

https://friendsnrc.org/friends-resources/collaboration-toolkit/



## The FRIENDS Collaboration Toolkit

- Hope
- Mindset
- Authenticity
- Rules of Engagement
- Conflict
- Intentionality
- Likeability
- Adaptability
- Trust
- Informal Relationships

## The FRIENDS Collaboration Toolkit

- Most of these elements are everyday concepts that we think we understand
- When we dig into their facets, we can find opportunities to grow and improve our collaboration
- Explore the website and focus on just one element to see if you can use it to develop a stronger, more productive working relationship with your partners

# Rules of engagement

- Agreed-upon ways of working together, <u>either</u>
   <u>stated or unstated</u>
- Rules guide how interactions should occur, how to handle conflict, and when to call it quits
- Identifying rules of engagement helps to establish parameters that generally go unspoken for how partners will work together. Having clarity about these rules increases authenticity and buy-in.
- Rules of engagement are not your mission or vision statement – these are the often unstated expectations or guard rails that the group operates within.





### LEAVE IT BETTER THAN YOU FOUND IT



### WORK WITH THE WILLING



### **BE ACCOUNTABLE**

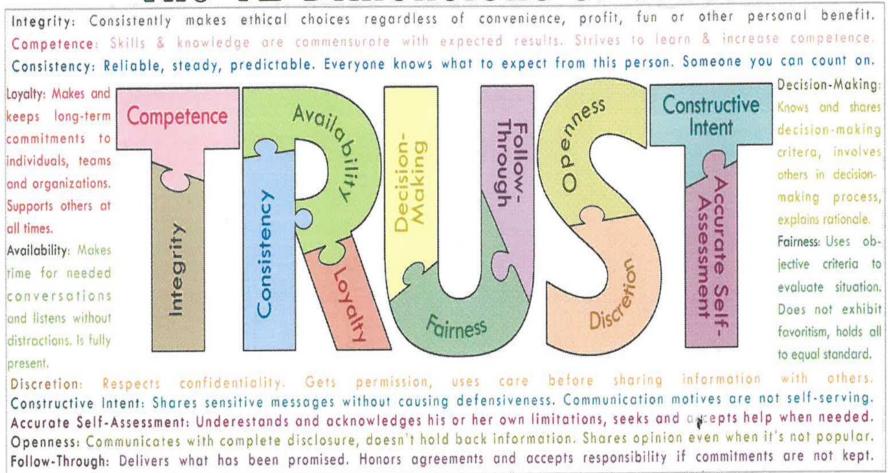


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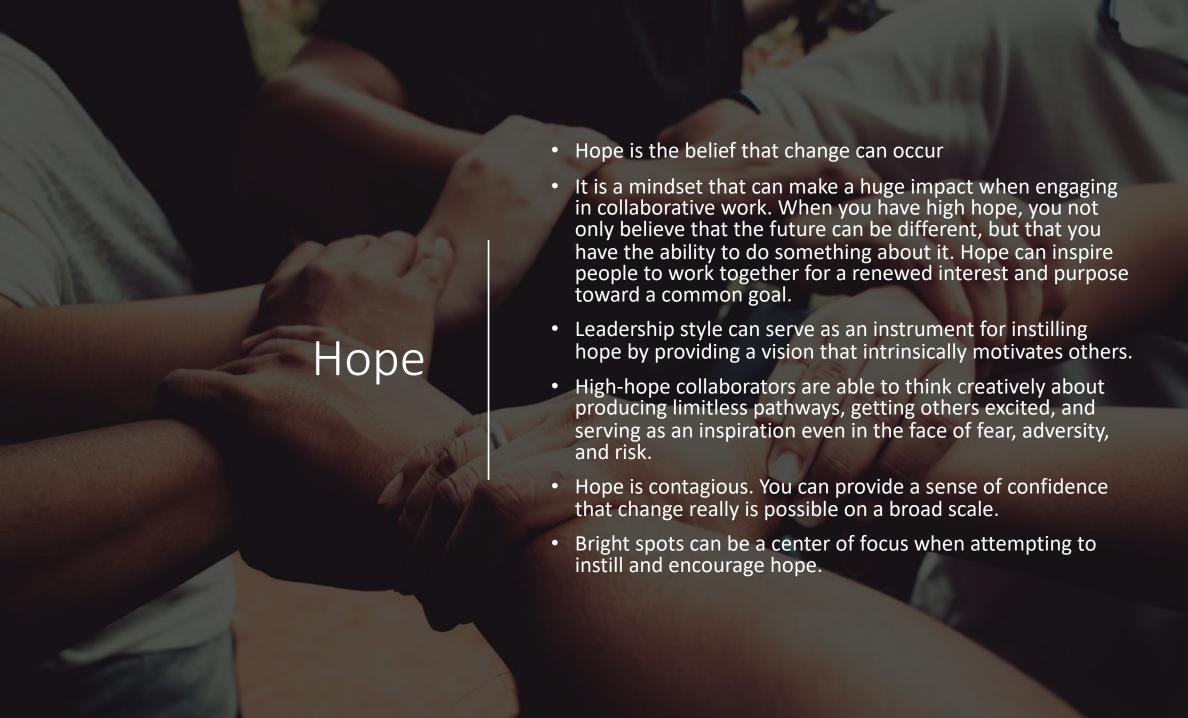
# Trust

- The assurance that people can depend on one another
- In an environment where conflict does and will occur, trust enables the relationship to continue to develop. Trust is the foundation for any relationship to build upon in order to overcome bumps along the road and for continued collaboration to occur.
- Being someone who can be trusted is a commitment to a way of living and interacting with others.
- Trust is complex and includes different dimensions such as openness, discretion, fairness, integrity, and loyalty.
- Trusting one another is the foundation for relationships to develop in order to work together.

### The 12 Dimensions of Trust



| Dimension and Description                                                                                                                     | Breach of trust<br>has occurred             | Some cause for lack of trust | Some cause for doubt in trustworthiness | Completely<br>trustworthy, no<br>doubts. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Integrity: Consistently makes ethical choices regardless of convenience, profit, fun or other personal benefit.                               |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Competence: Skills & knowledge are commensurate with expected results. Strives to learn & increase competence.                                |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Consistency: Reliable, steady, predictable. Everyone knows what to expect from this person. Someone you can count on.                         |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Loyalty: Makes and keeps long-term commitments to individuals, teams & organizations. Supports others at all times.                           |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Availability: Makes time for needed conversations and listens without distractions. Is fully present.                                         |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Fairness: Uses objective criteria to evaluate situation. Does not exhibit favoritism, holds all to equal standard.                            |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| <b>Decision-Making:</b> Knows & shares decision-making criteria. Involves others in decision-making process. Explains rationale of decisions. |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Follow Through: Delivers what has been promised. Honors agreements and accepts responsibility if commitments are not kept.                    |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Openness: Communicates with complete disclosure, doesn't hold back information. Shares opinion even when it's not popular.                    |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| <b>Discretion:</b> Respects confidentiality. Gets permission, uses care before sharing information with others.                               |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |
| Constructive Intent: Shares sensitive messages without causing defensiveness. Communication motives are not self-serving.                     | Source: People First Productivity Solutions |                              | ons                                     |                                          |
| Accurate Self-Assessment: Understands and acknowledges his or her own limitations, seeks and accepts help when needed.                        |                                             |                              |                                         |                                          |





Three main things that make up hopeful thinking:

### Agency

Believing that you can instigate change and achieve your goals.



### Pathways

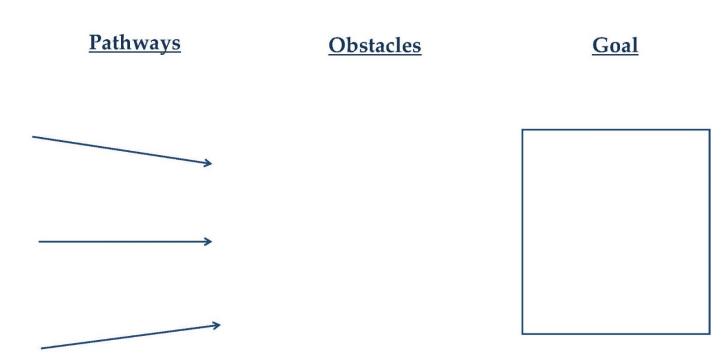
Finding different ways to achieve your goals.



Approaching life in a goal-oriented way.

Hope = optimism





HopeMap Source: Lopez, S. (2013) www.hopemonger.com

### Questions and feedback



Does any of this spark anything for you?



How might you use these resources?



What other resources regarding collaboration might be helpful to you?



### COST ANALYSIS IN PREVENTION SERVICES

### HOW COST ANALYSIS SUPPORTS ACHIEVING EQUITY AND UPLIFTING PARENT VOICES

#### Doesn't have to, but it should!

A key pitfall of cost analysis is that it is easy to turn people, families, experiences into a series of numbers on a spreadsheet

It's our responsibility to:

- involve stakeholders when we plan a cost analysis & at every step of the process
- center equity and the lived experiences of families in how we understand and communicate about cost

### OPENING DISCUSSION



What are your experiences with cost analysis?



What would you like to be able to do?



What are your questions?

### WHAT IS COST ANALYSIS?

- Cost analysis is used to accurately identify the full cost of providing a service
- Simplest forms provide an accurate estimate of the cost of delivering services, incorporating:
  - direct costs
  - indirect costs
  - a measure of the reach of the service (e.g. numbers of families served)
- More sophisticated analyses estimate:
  - cost avoidance
  - return on investment

### BUDGET VS. COST ANALYSIS

- Theory vs. reality
  - Budgets are estimates of what something should cost, based on the best information we have
  - A cost analysis should be a hard look at the actual costs of delivering services
- Indirect costs
- Includes costs you aren't paying for that are necessary to deliver a service:
  - In-kind contributions
  - Labor/time
  - Other funding sources



### WHY DO IT?

- Requirements
- Balance awareness of revenues with costs
- Cost as a metric everyone understands
- Way to talk about value, particularly in the context of scarcity
- Take part in a conversation that is already taking place



#### GOALS AND SCOPE OF THE PROJECT

- Develop resources on cost analysis for CBCAP program staff that will help them:
  - Collect appropriate data
  - Produce accurate estimates for cost of delivering services
  - Estimate cost avoidance and/or return on investment
- Series of briefs, guides, and templates

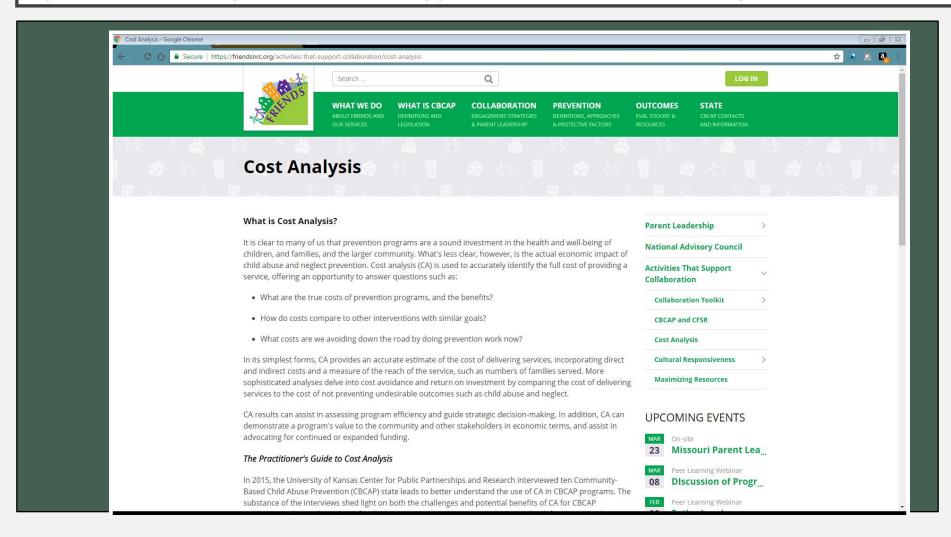
#### THE MATERIALS

- The Practitioner's Guide to Cost Analysis: First Steps
  - Section on Social Math
  - Missouri Case Study
- The Practitioner's Guide to Cost Analysis Part 2: Conducting Your First Cost Analysis
  - Readiness Assessment Decision Tree
- Costing template in excel and calculating pdf formats



#### WHERE TO FIND THEM

https://friendsnrc.org/activities-that-support-collaboration/cost-analysis



# THE PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO COST ANALYSIS

First steps

#### **INTERVIEWS**

- Interviewed 10 CBCAP state leads, chosen for:
  - Experience with cost analysis
  - Robust evaluations
  - Public-private partnerships
  - Engagement in sustainability

#### **INTERVIEWS: FINDINGS**

- Intention to do a lessons learned/best practices piece
- Found that interviews largely focused on challenges:
  - Concerns about how findings will be used
  - Time and money already stretched thin
  - Difficulties accessing or making sense of data
  - Troubles communicating results in a meaningful way

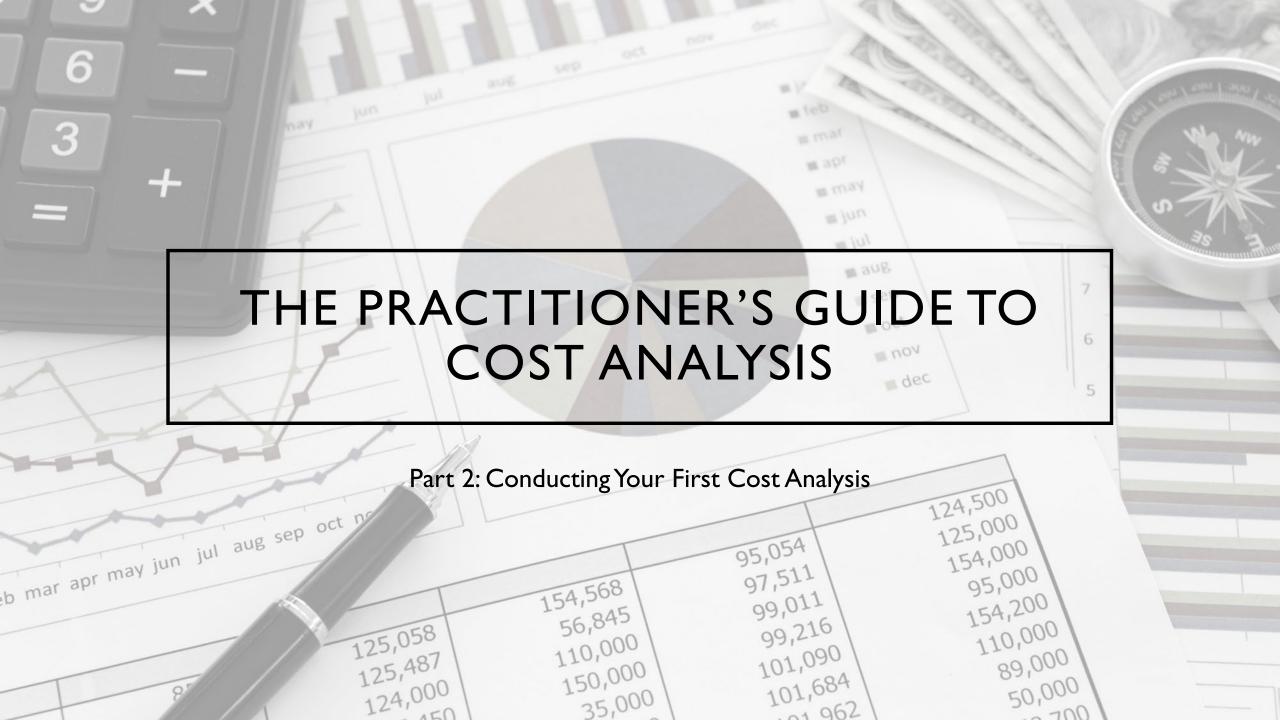
#### **SECTIONS**

- Guide, and introductory briefs, on three topic areas:
  - Creating stakeholder buy-in
  - · Data collection and processing
  - Communication and using results
- Concludes with a case study of Missouri's cost analysis work

#### MISSOURI CASE STUDY

Children's Trust Fund of Missouri put out a short report estimating child abuse prevention saved the state \$11.4 million in direct cost savings

- I. Estimated number of children who would have otherwise been abused using intake assessments
- Used estimates from existing research for the many outcomes of abuse
- 3. Used national, state, and local data to estimate cost per child



#### **VOLUME 2 OVERVIEW**

- A practical guide to making analytical choices and calculating figures
- Sections include:
  - Direct, indirect, and in-kind costs
  - Calculating cost to deliver services
  - Calculating cost per outcome
  - Calculating cost avoidance
  - Readiness assessment decision tree





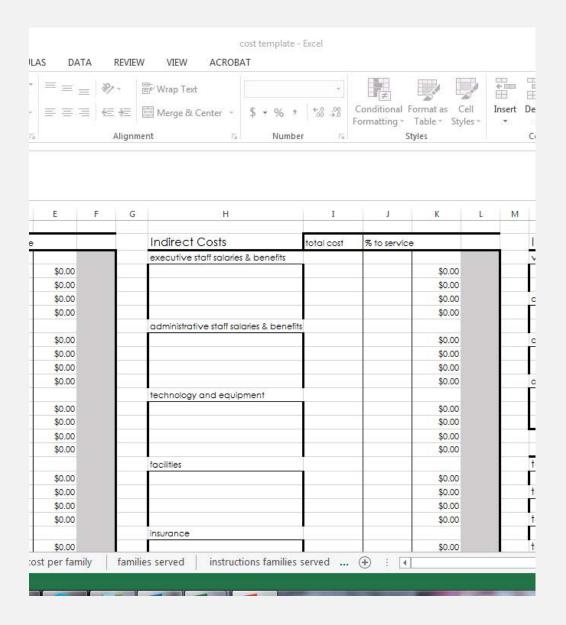
#### READINESS ASSESSMENT DECISION TREE

- Breaks down multiple pieces that need to be in place to estimate and contextualize cost
- Creates linear decision-making path:
- What kind of data do you currently have available to you?
- What should be your next steps?
- What do you want to know more about?
- Can use to navigate the guide

### **COSTING TEMPLATES**

## COSTING TEMPLATES

- Calculates cost per family served to deliver a service
- Incorporates direct and indirect costs
   and in-kind resources
- Second sheet calculates families served proportionally depending on dosage
- Available in Excel and PDF



PLACE COST IN CONTEXT



Costs are an investment



Determine cost avoidance and/or return on investment



Make cost data approachable



Relate cost to everyday things using social math



Provide a call to action

#### COST AVOIDANCE

- The costs of services can be helpful, but they don't tend to be what attracts social service organizations to cost analysis
- Interest in:
  - Are we spending too much?
  - What are we getting for our costs?
  - Cost avoidance and return on investment
- The answers to these questions are highly dependent on the kind of data you have available to you
- BUT even if you don't have data you can make meaningful comparisons using "social math"



#### SOCIAL MATH

# "CASUAL" COST AVOIDANCE





What resources are you interested in exploring?

What are the FRIENDS resources you've found most helpful?

What kind of resources would you like to see?

### THANK YOU

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