The program evaluation process can be confusing and overwhelming. However, there are a number of resources available that can assist professionals with navigating the evaluation process. Below, we have listed resources that are designed to assist professionals in preparing and conducting a program evaluation.

Online Evaluation Manuals, Guides and Resources

Center for Disease Control (CDC) Evaluation Resources
https://www.cdc.gov/eval/resources/index.htm
- The Center for Disease Control Program Performance and Evaluation Office (PPEO) has compiled a list of evidence informed step-by-step evaluation resources to help with the overall process of program evaluation as well as specific resources tailored to parts of the evaluation process (e.g., logic model development, planning, budgeting, etc.)

Community Tool Box Introduction to Evaluation
http://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/evaluate/evaluation
- The Community Tool Box provides resources and tools to help you learn how to develop an evaluation plan, identify stakeholders' interests, and develop a participatory evaluation.

Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) Resources
www.nationalservice.gov/resources/evaluation
- The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has created a number of resources to assist your program as it moves through each stage of the evaluation process.

Institute of Museum and Library Sciences Evaluation Resources
www.imls.gov/research-evaluation/evaluation-resources
- The Institute of Museum and Library Services provides a list of resources for program planning, evaluation definitions, and methodologies and case examples of sound evaluation practices.

Military REACH Toolkit
https://reachmilitaryfamilies.umn.edu/prodev/track/program-evaluation-toolkit
- The Military REACH website offers seven online modules that focus on all aspects of program evaluation from designing, to collecting and handling data, to effectively communicating the evaluation results to stakeholders.

Program Manager's Guide to Evaluation
https://www.acf.hhs.gov/opre/research/project/the-program-managers-guide-to-evaluation
- Written by the Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), *The Program Manager's Guide to Evaluation* explains what program evaluation is, why evaluation is important, how to conduct an evaluation and understand the results, how to report evaluation findings, and how to use evaluation results to improve programs that benefit children and families.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) Evaluation Tools and Resources
http://www.samhsa.gov/capt/tools-learning-resources/evaluation-tools-resources
- SAMSHA offers tools, aides, tip sheets, and other resources to support with evaluation planning and management, implementation, and data analysis.

W.K Kellogg Handbooks
http://www.wkkf.org/resource-directory/resource/2010/w-k-kellogg-foundation-evaluation-handbook
- The W.K Kellogg Foundation offers two handbooks: one for evaluation and the other for logic model development. Both provide a framework for thinking about evaluation as a relevant and useful program tool.

Sample of Suggested Resources by Evaluation Topic

Preparing for an Evaluation
- Center for Disease Control's Brief on Selecting an Evaluation Consultant
  http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/evaluation/pdf/brief1.pdf

- Evaluation Teams: The Program Manager's Guide to Evaluation Chapter 3-4
  http://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/opre/program_managers_guide_to_eval2010.pdf

- Stakeholder Involvement Planning: Center for Disease Control Evaluation Guide, Worksheets, Pages 19 and 20
  https://www.cdc.gov/eval/guide/cdcevalmanual.pdf

Assessing Needs
- Center for Disease Control Assess Needs and Resources
  http://www.cdc.gov/chinav/tools/assess.html

- Community Tool Box: Assessing Community Needs and Resources
  http://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/assessment/assessing-community-needs-and-resources

Building a Logic Model
- CYFERnet: Build Your Own Logic Model Tool
  https://cyfar.org/build-your-own-logic-model

- University of Wisconsin-Extension Program Development and Evaluation Logic Model Resources
  http://fyi.uwex.edu/programdevelopment/logic-models/

- University of Arizona Program Planning Using the Logic Model
  http://extension.arizona.edu/evaluation/content/program-planning-using-logic-model

Creating an Evaluation Design

- Center for Disease Control "Types of Evaluation"
  https://www.cdc.gov/std/Program/pupestd/Types%20of%20Evaluation.pdf

- CYFAR "Different Types of Evaluation"
  https://cyfar.org/different-types-evaluation

- Center for Disease Control's "Developing an Effective Evaluation Plan"
  http://www.cdc.gov/obesity/downloads/cdc-evaluation-workbook-508.pdf

- Western Michigan University's A Checklist for Developing and Evaluating Evaluation Budgets
  http://www.wmich.edu/sites/default/files/attachments/u350/2014/evaluationbudgets.pdf

Performing Data Analysis and Collection

- Centers for Disease Control Data Collection and Analysis Resources
  https://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/Evaluation/index.htm

- Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness: A Tool for Assessing Community Readiness and for Exploring Community Strengths and Needs
  https://militaryfamilies.psu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/A-Tool-for-Assessing-Community-Readiness-9-9-17.pdf

- Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness: Exploring Community Strengths and Needs
  https://militaryfamilies.psu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/A-Tool-for-Exploring-Community-Strengths-and-Needs-9-9-17.pdf

- National Network of Library of Medicine's Collecting and Analyzing Evaluation Data Booklet
  https://nnlm.gov/neo/guides/bookletThree508

Communicating Evaluation Results

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMSHA) Communicating Evaluation Results
  https://www.samhsa.gov/capt/applying-strategic-prevention-framework

- The Community Tool Box Communicating Information to Funders for Support and Accountability
  http://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/evaluate/evaluation-to-understand-and-improve/funder-support-accountability/main

The Clearinghouse has Technical Assistance (TA) Specialists who are available to help by offering support and guidance through the program selection, implementation, and evaluation process. These TA Specialists are available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST/EDT Monday through Friday. Use the information below to contact the Clearinghouse!