Tribal TANF-Child Welfare Coordination Webinar

TTCW Resource Toolbox: Tools for Evaluation Planning

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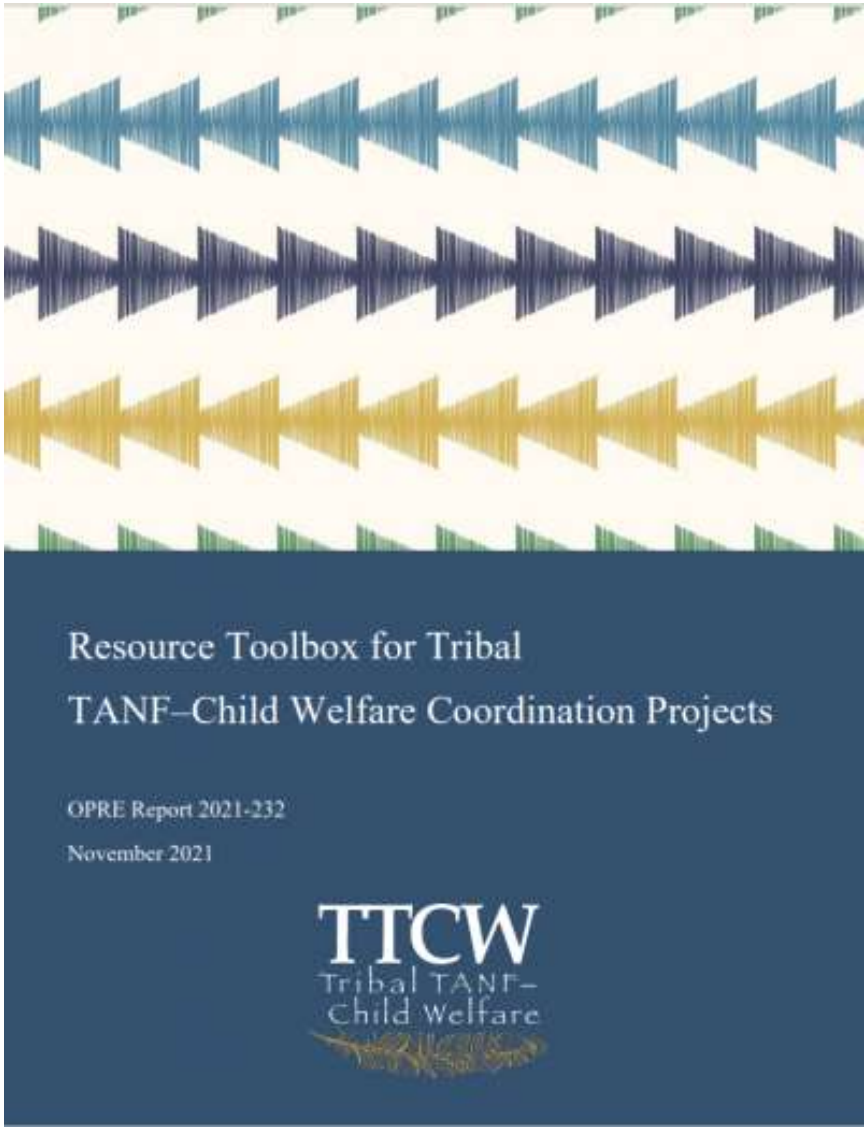
- Federal partners

Resource Toolbox: a set of tools to support TTCW program evaluation

- TTCW Resource Toolbox
  - Relevance of Toolbox topics
  - Grantee efforts related to Toolbox topical areas
  - Toolbox and other tools as considerations for program evaluation planning
- Brainstorming of grantee needs related to development of strong evaluation plans



Objectives

- Increase familiarity with the Toolbox and how content and available resources may be useful in developing, revising, and conducting TTCW program performance evaluations
- Opportunity to discuss grantee needs or concerns related to evaluation planning and implementation
- Group discussion and learning from fellow grantees

The Resource Toolbox

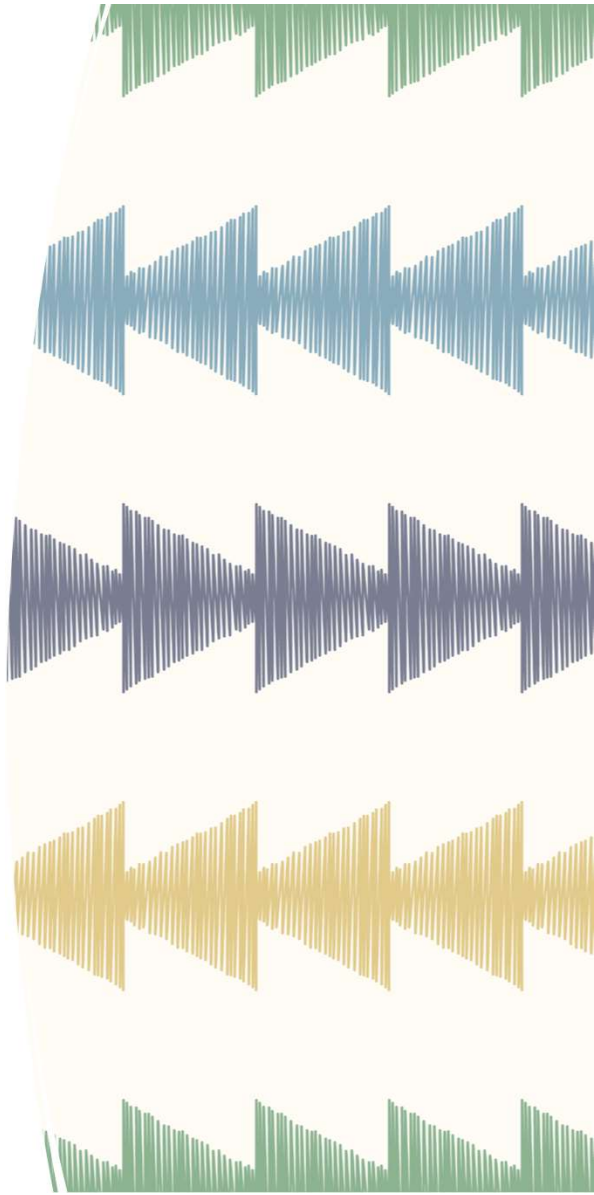
The Resource Toolbox was developed to provide a set of resources relevant for supporting current and future TTCW grantees in meeting their goals and objectives in implementing their programs and measuring program performance

"A goal without a plan is just a wish"

-Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Toolbox resources include:

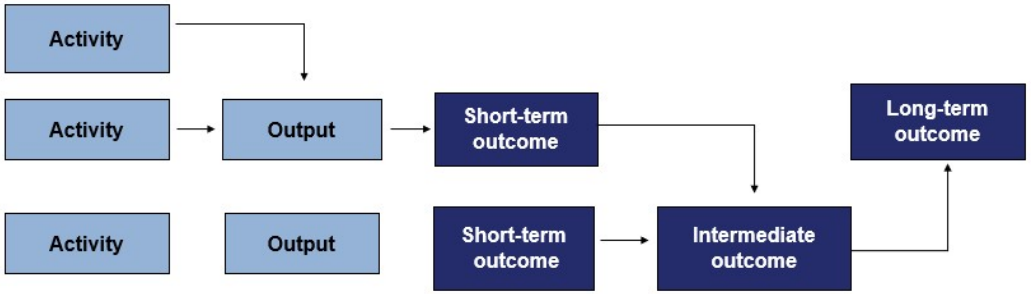
- Developing and using logic models for systems change
- Planning for data collection and collecting data
- Collecting and using stories in program research and dissemination
- Collaborative approaches to screening and assessment
- Data sharing and protecting sensitive information
- Performance measurement
- Data-driven decision-making & continuous quality improvement
- Measuring collaboration
- Measuring program outcomes
- Dissemination of TTCW program information
- Sustainability



Logic model

Developing and using your TTCW logic model for systems change

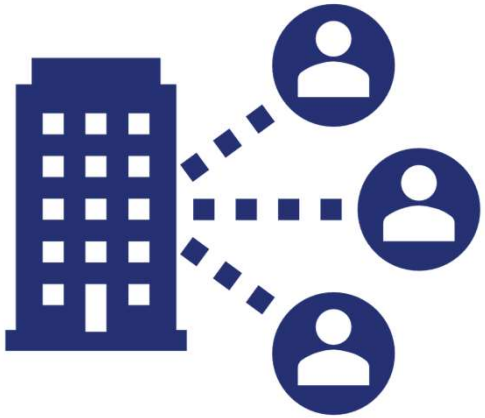
Resources for developing and using your TTCW logic model to identify key program components; articulate measurable outputs and outcomes; track progress; and make informed decisions about whether activities, services, and policies are being implemented as intended and resulting in your expected organizational and client outcomes



Data Collection

Planning for data collection and collecting data

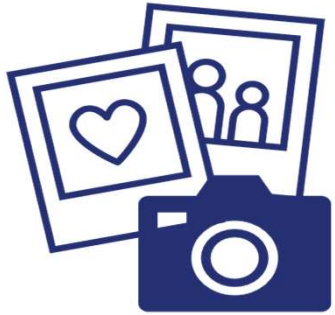
Resources for data collection and collecting data resources: for understanding the value of data collection, preparing for data collection, and collecting high-quality data



Using Stories

Collecting and using stories in program research and dissemination

Resources for collecting stories, along with guidance and examples of how to use stories in program research and dissemination efforts, including types of products that can be generated



Screening and assessment

Collaborative approaches to screening and assessment

Resources on assessment tools and considerations for selecting, adapting, and conducting screening and assessment within and across program partners

Data sharing and protecting sensitive data

Sharing data and protecting sensitive information

Resources for planning and developing data sharing agreements with your TTCW partners to increase information sharing for the purpose of increasing service coordination

Resources for considerations for data privacy and safeguarding sensitive information

Measuring program performance

Performance measurement

Resources for engaging TTCW system partners in identifying and prioritizing performance measures for tracking, using your performance measurement data to inform quality improvement efforts, and communicating findings to program and community partners and leaders

Data-driven decision making and CQI

Data-driven decision making and continuous quality improvement (CQI)

Resources for setting up your program to track the system coordination improvements made as part of your TTCW grant, streamline data sharing processes across departments and agencies, enhance your ability to meet the needs of staff and families, and improve outcomes

Measuring collaboration

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Resources for identifying tools to use on an ongoing basis or as pre-post measures in measuring your collaboration progress

Measuring outcomes

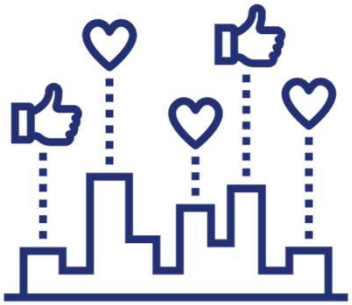
Measuring program outcomes

Resources for outcome evaluation, for evaluating all types of TTCW program outcomes including outcomes related to collaboration

Dissemination and sustainability

Dissemination of TTCW program information and accomplishments

- Resources for determining your goals, audience(s), relevant data, and vehicles for disseminating your TTCW program information and accomplishments



Sustainability

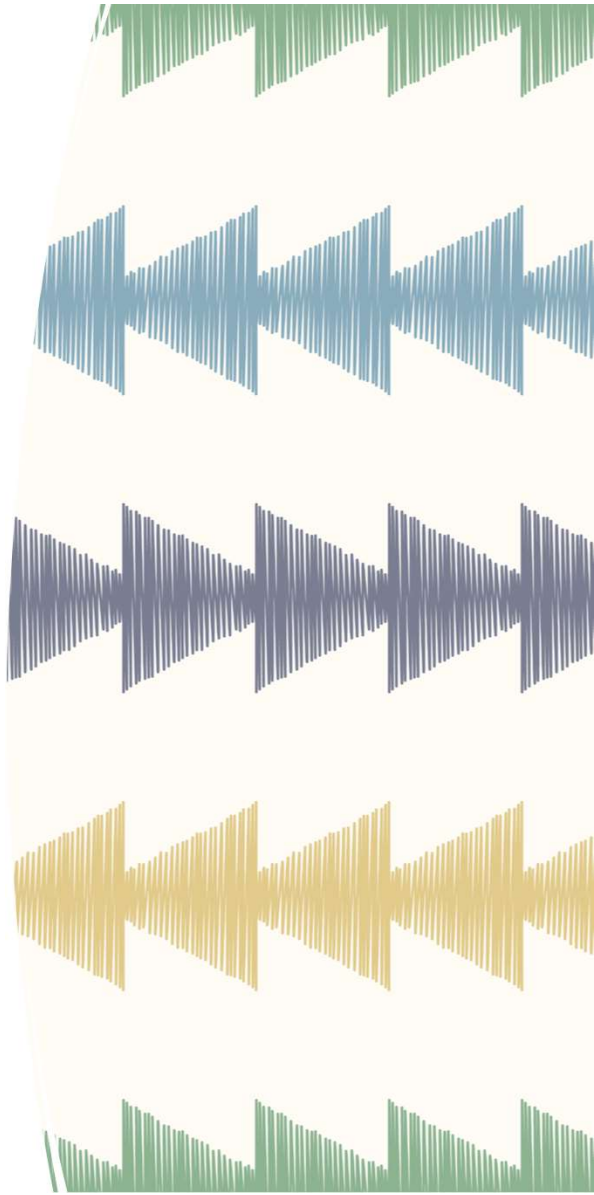
- Resources for thinking about sustainability of your TTCW program and developing your sustainability plans and actions

Polling Question

- *In your opinion, does the toolbox include all or most of the topics you need to develop an evaluation plan?*
- *What topical areas are missing?*

Group Discussion

- How do the topics covered in the Toolbox align with your evaluation plan?
- What other topical resources would you wish to have in order to develop a strong program evaluation plan?



Resource Toolbox

TTCW Grantee Highlights

Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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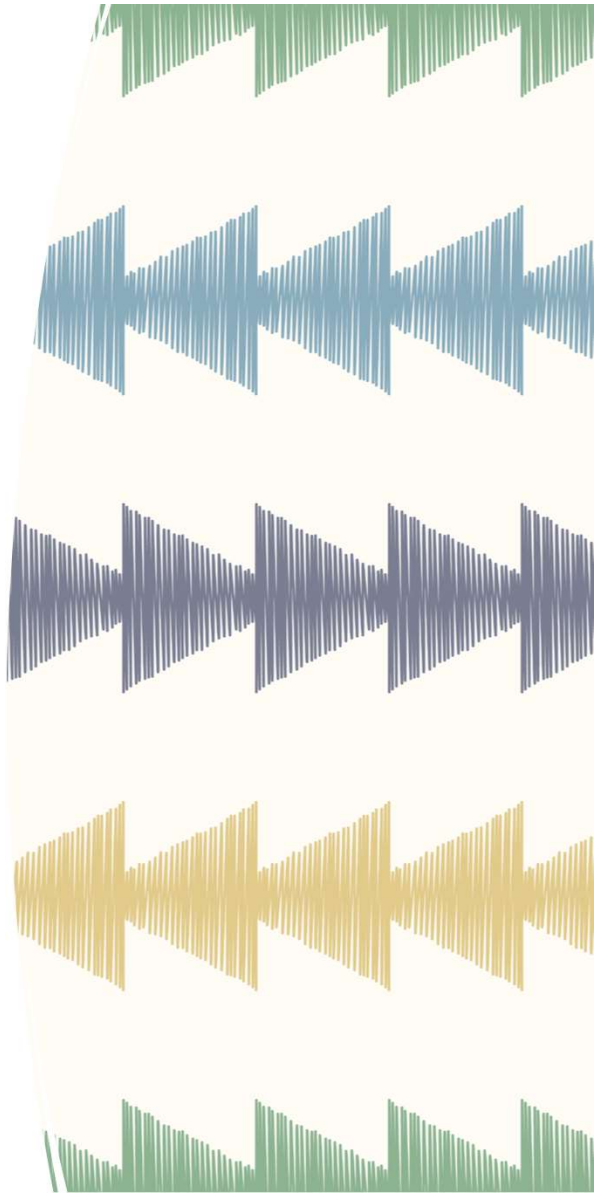

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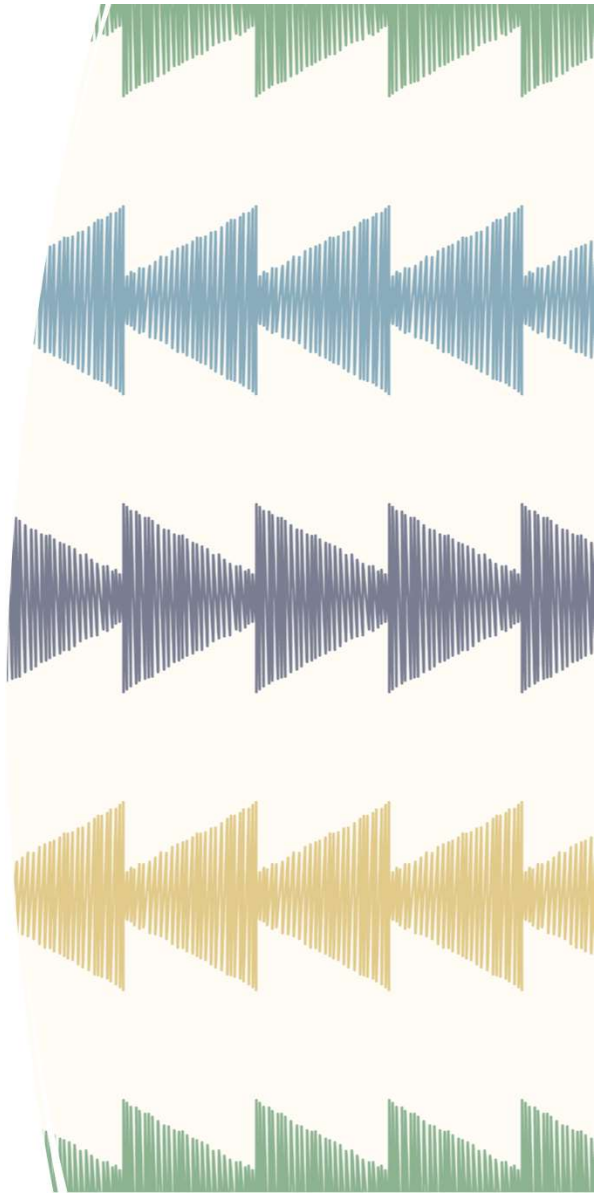
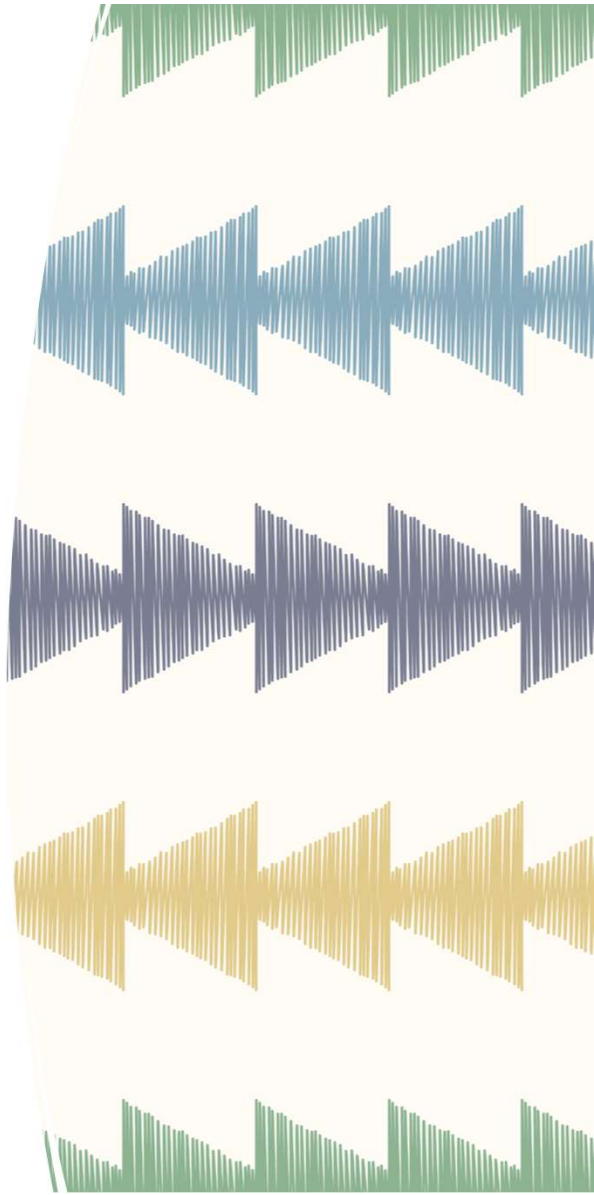


Group Discussion

- What aspects of evaluation planning are you most comfortable with and why?
- What aspects of evaluation planning are you least comfortable with and why?
- How does your evaluation plan guide your daily work?
- What, if any, changes or adjustments have you made or do you anticipate making to your evaluation plan?



Questions?

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Final thoughts?

Resources

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Next Zoom Meeting

TTCW Webinar:
Assessing Collaboration and System Change

Wednesday, June 8, 2022
3:00 pm Eastern time

Thank you!

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