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Incorporates a strong focus on how to determine and engage project stakeholders and provides tools for effective decision making

Delineates specific methods to develop protocols for a small test of change prior to larger pilot studies

Delivers approaches/strategies for monitoring and evaluating sustainability Discusses how to assess organizational commitment and conduct stakeholder analyses Creates examples that use each component of EBPI+ as a template for readers Emphasizes the "how to" of implementation more than other competitive models

Contributors

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