

UC Corrections Institute presents

## ***Action Planning Sessions***

Evaluations of how closely programs align with evidence-based practices are most valuable when steps are taken to utilize the results of these evaluations. Action Planning sessions provide foundational knowledge to agency staff on the principles of effective intervention for the purpose of responding to evaluation results. UCCI provides Action Planning to be used in conjunction with results from UC's program assessment too: the Evidence Based Correctional Program Checklist (CPC). However, this session can be customized to other program evaluation processes.

In the session, participants are introduced to "what works" in changing offender behavior, as organized by the CPC tool domains: program leadership and development, staff characteristics, offender assessments, treatment characteristics, and quality assurance. Participants then learn how to apply their agency's CPC assessment results as guided by with the principles of effective intervention. Prioritizing two to four recommendations from each of the CPC domains, participants then learn to develop concrete action steps to improve programmatic functions. For a recommendation to be achievable, steps will include specific staff responsibilities, time lines for completion, and identification of possible barriers that may stand in the way as well as resources needed for the adjustment. By the end of the onsite session, participants will leave with a full action plan help their agency more closely align with evidence-based practices.

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A typical training is a 2-day session for a maximum of 20 participants, and is outlined below:

- Day 1: Intro to Action Planning, Review of Program Leadership and Development/Program Support Area and action planning for Program Area, Review of and action planning for Staff Area, Review of and action planning for Offender Assessment
- Day 2: Continue with review/action planning for Offender Assessment, review of and action planning for Cognitive Behavioral Interventions (CBI) and Treatment Characteristics Area, Review of and action planning for Quality Assurance, Summary/Evaluation of training

\*Alternative training plans can developed on a case-by-case basis according to program needs.

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