

RESULTS-BASED ACCOUNTABILITY EXERCISE – SELECTING INDICATORS

Criteria for Choosing Indicators

Communication Power: Does the indicator communicate to a broad range of audiences?

Proxy Power: Does the indicator say something of *central importance* about the outcome? Does the Indicator act as a pretty good “stand in” for other indicators?

Data Power: Do we have quality data available on a timely basis?

Choosing Indicators Work Sheet

OUTCOME:										
INDICATOR CANDIDATES		Communication Power			Proxy Power			Data Power		
1		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
2		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
3		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
4		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
5		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
6		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
7		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
8		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
9		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
10		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
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7		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
8		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
9		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
10		H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L

Three Part Indicator List for Each Outcome

Part 1: Primary Indicators

- 3-5 “Headline” Indicators – what do they “mean” to the community?
- Meets the Public Square Test

Part 2: Secondary Indicators

- Everything else that is meaningful, to be used later or in other settings/Story behind the curve

Part 3: Data Development Agenda

- New data
- Data in need of repair (quality, timeliness, etc.)

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House Judiciary Recommendations as Proposed by Amendment:

OUTCOME: Vermont’s communities are safe and supportive										
Proposed Outcome: Vermonters have access to courts of justice										
INDICATOR CANDIDATES		Communication Power			Proxy Power			Data Power		
1	Percent of juvenile abuse and neglect cases disposed or otherwise resolved within established timeframe of 98 days	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
2	Percent of criminal felony cases disposed or otherwise resolved within timeframe of six months (180 days)	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L
3	Percent of criminal misdemeanor cases disposed or otherwise resolved within established timeframe of four months (120 days)	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L

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GAC RECOMMENDATIONS:

OUTCOME

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HEADLINE INDICATORS

1	
2	
3	
4	

SECONDARY INDICATORS

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	

DATA DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

1	
2	
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5	
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