

Attachment A

BCULD Exploratory Discussion Questions for NHSA Conference Session

1. Please tell me how your program uses the data you gather.
 - a. Is there a staff member who oversees the data? What is their job?
 - b. Do you use the data to help make decisions about your program?
 - i. If yes, can you please give me an example or two?
 - ii. Do you use the data to help improve your program? How so?

2. Please tell me how your program stores and manages data about the children, families, staff, and services in your program.

Possible probes:

 - a. Does your program use a data system to manage and store information?
 - b. Do you use unique identifiers for the children and staff in your program?

3. Do you share or link the data you collect in your program with data from other programs?

4. What questions can you or would you be able to answer if you shared or linked your data with data from other programs?

5. What makes it difficult for your program to link or share data with other programs?

6. What resources and support would you need to be able to link and share data?

7. If you share your program data, do you have data sharing agreements or written documents that describe how the data can (and can't) be used? How do you protect the privacy of the data?

8. What is important for a program to have in place to be able to use data to help make decisions and improve the quality of their program?

9. Why do you think some programs can link or share their data and some programs cannot?
 - a. What has to be in place in order for a program to be "ready?"