

The process study will include up to three CNCS-funded organizations implementing an intervention with evidence of success and a readiness to scale the intervention. The study will provide an understanding of the requirements for successful scaling and help provide a strategic approach for supporting scaling of evidence-based models. We anticipate that the evaluation will have three components: (1) preparation, including a document review and calls to grantees, (2) one round of two-day, in-person visits to organizations, and (3) telephone follow-up calls.

Draft Questions:

Scaling a program can involve expansion (greater numbers served) replication (same intervention, new location) or adaptation/modification (new target population and/or modified intervention).

1. Would you say that you are expanding the intervention? Replicating it? Adapting it? Or doing something else?
2. If your organization expanded or replicated your intervention when you scaled it, what factors influenced this decision.
3. If your organization has adapted or modified the intervention when you scaled it, what organizational and community factors contributed to this decision?
4. Overall what factors do you consider necessary to successfully scale interventions in terms of organizational (human and financial) resources?
5. Have you enlisted the support of additional funders (philanthropic, public, and private) to support your organizations scaling efforts?
6. With regard to community involvement what factor do you think are most influential in the decision to scale a program?
7. How has your organization scaled its program with regard to with fidelity and integrity?
8. For your organization, what factors facilitated and what factors hindered your scaling efforts?
9. What role does evaluation play in your scaling efforts (process, outcome, or impact data)?