

Appendix C: SIRF Phone Meeting Topics for Program Staff

Strengthening the Implementation of Responsible Fatherhood Programs (SIRF)

Meeting Topics

Thank you for taking time to meet with the SIRF study team. As a reminder, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families has contracted with MDRC and its partners, MEF Associates and Insight Policy Research, to conduct SIRF. The SIRF project will utilize rapid learning methods, or iterative cycles of learning, to identify implementation roadblocks, design and test solutions, interpret findings, and make adaptations to practice and measurement.

This document outlines the information the SIRF team is interested in learning about your fatherhood program. The information will help us learn about the implementation of fatherhood services at your program and how they align with SIRF priorities. We envision these topics to serve as a guide for our conversation, though we do not need to cover all topics if they are not relevant to your program. **You do not need to prepare anything prior to our meeting.** Thank you in advance for your time!

1. Current Affiliation and Role
2. Overview of SIRF
3. Organizational Priorities
4. Structure of Program
5. Use of Data and Experience with Evaluation
6. Referral Sources and Service Partners
7. Program Implementation Challenges
8. Successful and Unsuccessful Approaches to Address Implementation Challenges
9. Next Steps

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