



Office of Adolescent Health Piloting Guidance Considerations for Tier 2 Grantees

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Objectives

- Discuss Rationale and Strategies for Piloting
- Review Piloting considerations for Tier 2 Grantees
- Discuss Questions and Concerns

Goals of the Pilot

- Dress-rehearsal before full implementation to assess:
 - Logistics
 - Intervention materials
 - Survey instruments
 - Fidelity Monitoring Tools
- Get Feedback from the Target Population
- Get Feedback from Intervention Implementers

Tier 2A: Early Innovation

- Year 1:
 - Select innovators
 - Develop plan to monitor and support innovators
- Years 2-5:
 - Support innovators who will be piloting, prototyping, and refining interventions

Tier 2B: Rigorous Evaluation

- Year 1
 - Engage target population
 - Refine your intervention
 - Finalize evaluation design*
 - Pilot test your intervention
 - Finalize materials
- Years 2-5
 - Implement rigorous evaluation of the intervention that meets HHS TPP evidence review standards

Before you pilot...

- Hire and train staff
- Complete needs assessment
 - Engage target population
- Refine Intervention
 - Completed medical accuracy review
 - Review materials for age appropriateness, inclusivity, and cultural/linguistic competence
- Execute MOUs with implementation sites
- Develop fidelity monitoring logs

During the Pilot...

- Trial run of the full intervention with small sample in multiple sites
- Test the survey instruments with the target population
- Test the fidelity monitoring strategy
- Collect performance measures data on program participants
- Consider also collecting some information from participants, such as satisfaction surveys

After piloting...

- Consider lessons learned before proceeding
 - Tier 2As: Supporting innovators in an ongoing, iterative process of developing and testing products
 - Tier 2Bs: Consider any final tweaks before fully implementing your rigorous evaluation. Discuss key findings with your project officer and evaluation TA liaison.

Discuss with your table...

- When are you planning to pilot?
- Will you pilot your entire intervention or just a portion of it? If a portion, how will you
- At how many sites will you pilot? How will you chose pilot sites?
- What is your greatest challenge for piloting? How are you planning to address it?

For More information...

- Talk to your project officer
- OAH. Testing the Waters: Pilot Testing Your Program. Webinar.
 - *Slides:* http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/webinars/slides_pilottestingwebinar.pdf
 - *Audio:* http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/webinars/audio_pilottestingwebinar.mp3
 - *Transcript:* http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/webinars/transcript_needsassessmentwebinar.doc
- OAH. Tips and Recommendations for Successfully Pilot Testing Your Program. http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/teen_pregnancy/training/tip_sheets/pilot-testing-508.pdf

Questions???