Logic Model Job Aid

Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Outcomes Specific statement of desired change in the lives of a particular group.			Indicators	Data Source	Data Collection Method /
			Initial	Intermediate	Longer Term	_		Frequency
Resources utilized by the program. (#'s / quantity.)	The process or events undertaken with the inputs.	Specific amounts & types of activities provided and numbers served. (#'s / quantity)	Statements of desired change at the beginning of the program. (Teach)	Statements of desired change at a predetermined mid- point. (Apply)	Long term desired behavior change. (Produce)	Specific data tracked to measure progress in achieving outcomes. (#'s / quantity)	Where the data is being collected. (Participants, clients, staff, etc.)	How the data is being collected. (Surveys, record reviews, observations, etc.)
Examples: - Staff trainers - Facility - Funding	Examples: - Classes - Mentoring - Meals - Workshops	Examples: - # of classes - # of mentor sessions - # of participants						

Step 1: Determine the need for a service or a program. Evidence pointing to the need for a program is often seen in a lack of performance. To determine what the gap in performance do the following:

- (1) What is the existing state of affairs (the condition)? Ask what the problem is.
- (2) Identify the criterion or the ideal state.
- (3) Determine the gap between what is currently happening (condition) and what should be happening (criterion). This is the difference.
- (4) Identify the cause of the difference. The cause is usually:
 - ► A lack of knowledge. Individuals do not know how to perform or what to do.
 - ▶ Deficiency in environment. Individuals face barriers to ideal performance.
 - ► A combination of the two.

Step 2: Determine the outcomes. Outcomes are specific statements of desired change in the lives of a particular group. Develop statements for initial, intermediate and long term outcomes ensuring that each statement has the following three components.

The change or desired effect.	In what.	For whom?
► Increase	► Knowledge	► Population (teens, children, adult
► Decrease	► Attitude	females, parents, etc.)
► Maintain	► Belief	► Neighborhoods
► Reduce	► Behavior	► Agency's
► Improve	► Perception	► Families
► Enable	▶ Skill	 Program participants.
► Ensure	► Condition	
► Expand	▶ Incident	

Select the most important Outcomes to measure. Use the following questions to assist you in prioritizing your outcomes.

- 1. Is it reasonable to believe the program can have a strong influence on the outcome, even though it cannot control it?
- 2. Would measurement of the outcome help identify program successes and shortcomings?
- 3. Will the outcome be effective in communicating externally that the program makes a difference in the lives of people?