

Evaluation Cross-Project Office Hours March 28, 2022:

Who to contact at NPI:

- For technical assistance on Program Evaluation and Reporting System (PEARS) and Site-Level Assessment Questionnaires (SLAQs) please email the Evaluate SNAP-Ed team: EvaluateSNAPEd@ucanr.edu
- For Impact Outcome Evaluation (IOE) and Adult Direct Education Evaluation, please email Amanda Linares: amlinares@ucanr.edu
- For questions or feedback about the Evaluation Cross-Project Office Hours please email Kaela Plank: krplank@ucanr.edu

Resources shared during office hours:

- NPI LHD Evaluation Website: <https://ucanr.edu/sites/LHDEvaluation/>
- Local Health Department Funding Tiers (Page 8): <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DCDIC/NEOPB/CDPH%20Document%20Library/BranchFFY2022FundingAppAdd3v4.pdf>
- CDSS PEARS resources: <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/pears>
- PEARS guide on copying a program activity: <https://support.pears.io/copy-a-program-activity/>
- PEARS guide on copying multiple PSE activities: <https://support.pears.io/copy-multiple-pse-site-activities/>

Q&A:

Question	NPI Answer
1. Should SLAQs be completed at the same time annually?	Ideally, a baseline SLAQ is conducted before any new CFHL intervention activities begin for the upcoming school or program year. Annual re-assessment should occur within 1 calendar month the following year (e.g., if Time 1 = Sept 1, 2019, then Time 2 is somewhere in between Aug 1 – Oct 1, 2020). Realistically, we know this isn't always possible, so do your best to stick to these guidelines.
2. What if I have a site join mid-year, do the SLAQ, and then want to start conducting it in the fall moving forward?	That is Ok.
3. For IOE, are there due dates for when post-survey data should be entered if using paper surveys and when SLAQs should be submitted by for the comparison schools?	We'd like to collect all post-tests and SLAQs by early/mid-June at the latest. We encourage earlier, especially for comparison , because we can't compensate them until all pre/post surveys and SLAQs are received.

<p>4. Is IOE only for 4th, 5th, and 6th grade? We only provide TA and DE to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades?</p>	<p>Starting in FFY 23 (October 1, 2022), for Tier 3+ LHDs, we ask they continue IOE as usual, however we are no longer able to compensate comparisons, so we understand if they end participation.</p> <p>For Tiers 1 and 2, if you are <i>doing series-based direct education in 4th-12th grade</i>, we'd like you to pick a site to evaluate all students receiving the applicable direct education. We ask that you evaluate the entire intervention at that site (i.e. DE + PSE, or DE alone if that's it). Self-report surveys are too complex for grades 3rd and below, so IOE will only apply to 4th grade and above.</p>
<p>5. What are the new IOE Criteria for FFY 23?</p>	<p>Starting in FFY 23 (which runs October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023), the following criteria will apply:</p> <p>For Tiers 1 and 2, if you are <i>doing series-based direct education in 4th-12th grade</i>, we'd like you to pick one site to evaluate all students receiving the applicable direct education. We ask that you evaluate (pre-post) the entire intervention at that site (i.e. DE + PSE, or DE alone if that's it). Self-report surveys are too complex for grades 3rd and below, so IOE will only apply to 4th grade and above.</p> <p>Tier 3+ LHDs, we ask they continue IOE as usual (intervention sites), however we are no longer able to compensate comparisons, so we understand if they end participation. If you are unable to retain your FFY 20-22 intervention sites, reach out to Amanda (amlinares@ucanr.edu) to discuss alternatives.</p>
<p>6. Who do I contact about trouble logging in to my One Drive folders to see QA/QC PEARS issues?</p>	<p>Email EvaluateSNAPed@ucanr.edu for support on accessing One Drive Folders.</p>
<p>7. We are using the Adult Direct Education Evaluation Survey to collect info for our multi-session DE participants. Do we need to duplicate the demographic information into PEARS? If so, is there a way to have it auto populate over?</p>	<p>Yes, at this time we will need to collect demographic information on both data cards (PEARS) and on the CalFresh Healthy Living Adult Survey. There currently is not a way to auto populate the demographic information between PEARS and the CalFresh Healthy Living Adult Survey.</p>

<p>8. Can you copy activities from previous years in PEARS?</p>	<p>Yes! The following resources can help you do this for Program activities and PSE activities in PEARS. This feature is currently not available for the Indirect Education module.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDSS PEARS resources: https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/pears • PEARS guide on copying a program activity: https://support.pears.io/copy-a-program-activity/ • PEARS guide on copying multiple PSE activities: https://support.pears.io/copy-multiple-pse-site-activities/
<p>9. UCCE and the LHD are working at the same school site location. UCCE is working in the Elementary school and the LHD is working in Early Childhood Education (ECE). Because these programs share the same site address, will this be an issue for reporting in PEARS?</p>	<p>As long as the settings for UCCE and the LHD are different, it is not a reporting issue. In this example, the LHD would select ECE, while UCCE would select the school setting. This will ensure PEARS can distinguish the LHD activities from the UCCE activities.</p>
<p>10. Are there upcoming plans to revise or update any of the evaluation tools (EATS, SLAQs, Adult Survey)?</p>	<p>Yes,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EATS is currently undergoing revision for FFY 23 to align with 2019-2020 School Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN survey) per USDA requirement that we use validated questions only to address Framework Indicators. • The CalFresh Healthy Living Adult Survey may have very minor changes. • LEARN SLAQs (Elementary, Secondary, ECE, and OST) are continuously undergoing different types of testing/feedback, but we don't anticipate any major revisions from here on out. • Retail SLAQ is undergoing some changes to make it less burdensome. Updates will roll out by FY23.
<p>11. Part of our Garden PSE work involves Parents meeting at school site to plan activities. Where does this belong in PEARS? PSE module or Partnerships?</p>	<p>Meetings can go in Partnership module. It's not required to keep track of these types of meetings, so you can either keep track on your own or in the Partnerships module on PEARS. If anything isn't appropriate for the Partnerships or PSE modules, you can keep track outside of PEARS, for instance, using a spreadsheet.</p>