

Example Clinical Practice

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Incorporating new and effective practices into standard care begins with implementation but requires intentional sustainment over time. Many factors can affect sustainability in clinical or healthcare settings, such as financial and political climates, organizational and regulatory characteristics, and elements of evaluation and training. The **Clinical Sustainability Assessment Tool (CSAT)** allows healthcare organizations and clinical programs, as well as their stakeholders, to rate practices on the extent to which they are supported by processes and structures that will increase the likelihood of sustainability. Assessment results can be used to identify next steps in building the practice's capacity for sustainability in order to position efforts for long term success.

Interpreting the Results

The table presents the average rating for each sustainability domain based on the responses provided by 8 participants. The remainder of the document presents the ratings for indicators within each domain. There is no minimum rating that guarantees sustainability of a clinical practice. However, lower rating do indicate opportunities for improvement that you may want to focus on when developing a plan for sustainability.

Next Steps

- These results can be used to guide sustainability planning for your clinical practice.
- Areas with lower ratings indicate that there is room for improvement.
- Address domains that are modifiable and have data available to support the needed changes.
- Develop long-term strategies to tackle the domains that may be more difficult to modify.
- Make plans to assess your practice's sustainability on an ongoing basis to monitor changes as you strive for an ongoing impact.

Here is your sustainability score: **5.4**

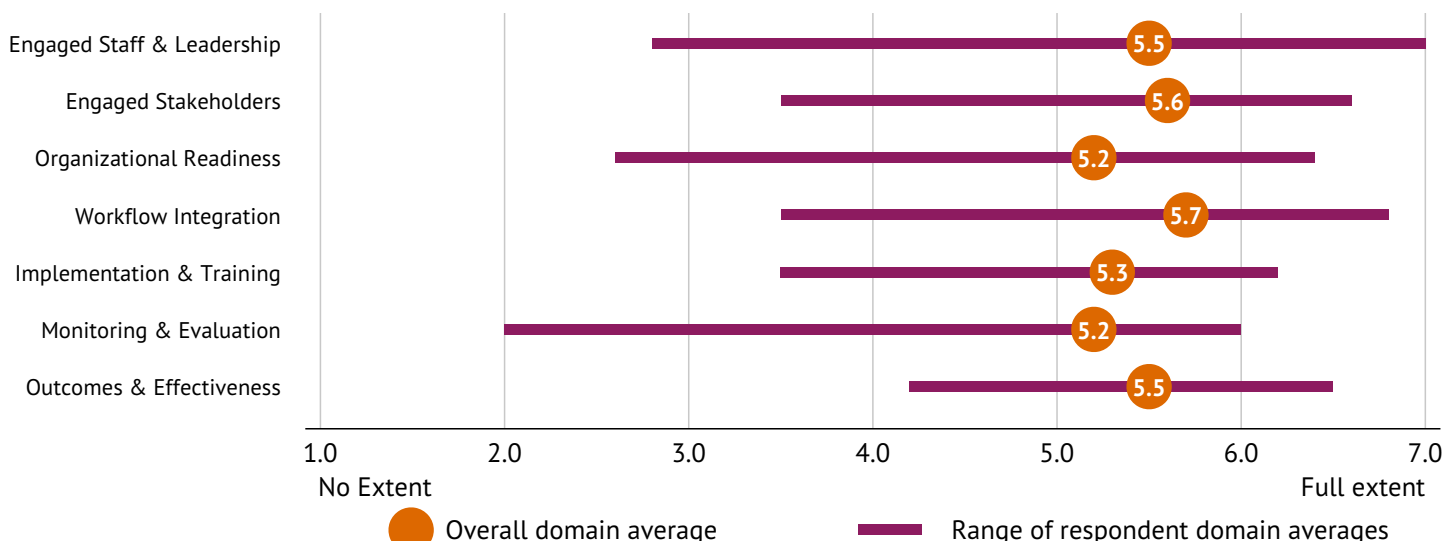
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Engaged Staff & Leadership	5.5
Engaged Stakeholders	5.6
Organizational Readiness	5.2
Workflow Integration	5.7
Implementation & Training	5.3
Monitoring & Evaluation	5.2
Outcomes & Effectiveness	5.5

1 = program has this to no extent

7 = program has to the full extent

NA = not able to answer

Average Sustainability Capacity By Domain



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