

Movies, art and virtual reality: Innovative evaluation story methods

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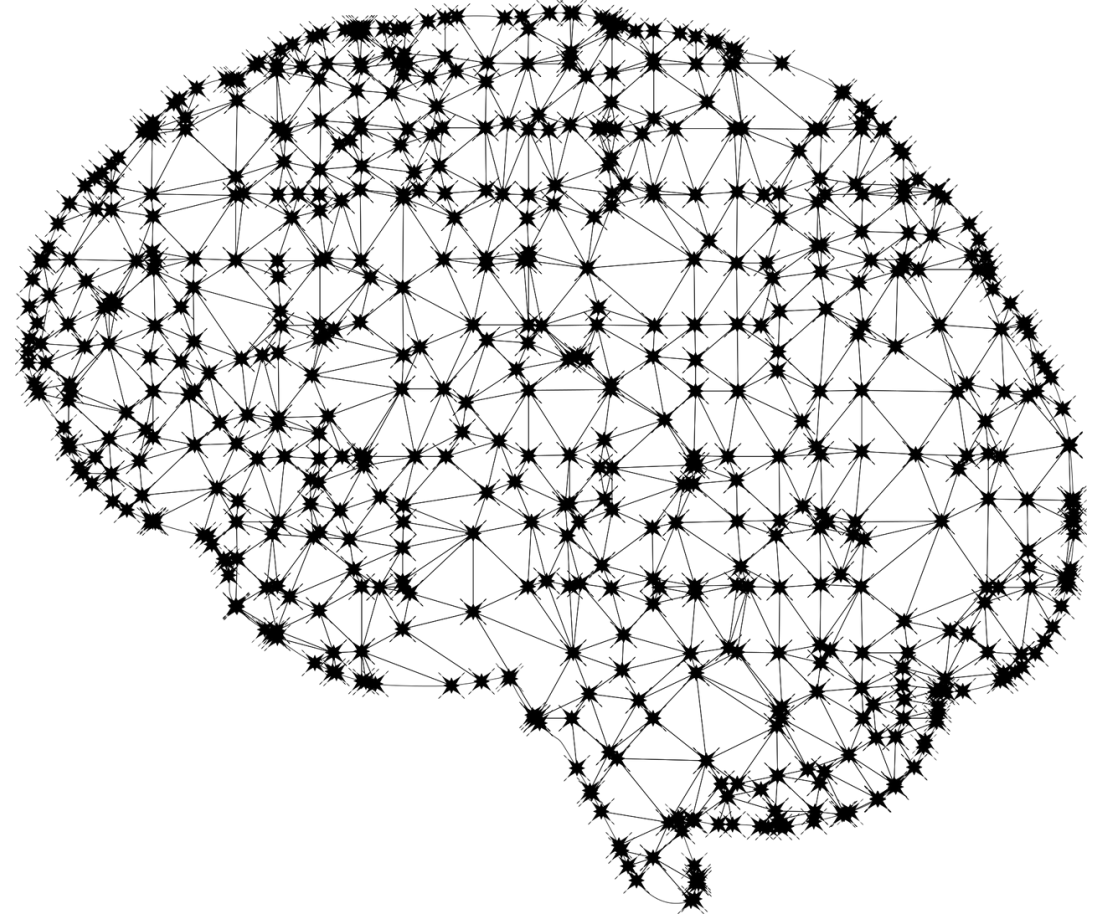
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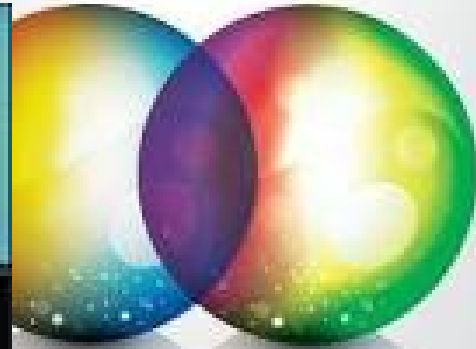


Power of story for evaluation

- Aids memory
- Conveys emotion to elicit action



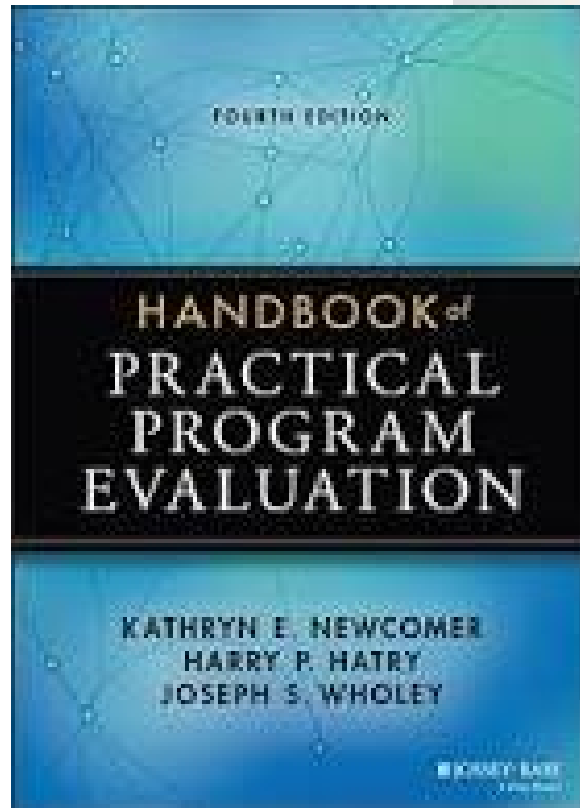
Developing Monitoring and Evaluation Frameworks



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Evaluation story for M&E

- Use for promotion and marketing
- Anecdotal only?
- Not a method/ or inferior to other approaches (quant/survey)

Donate Online



Your kindness today will help dads like Luke put food on the table



Now Charlotte reads in front of the whole school



Harrison's wish

Harrison's wish came true when he became a police cadet for the day with the South Australia Police ...

The potential of digital story for evaluation



Potential of digital evaluation story as CREDIBLE EVIDENCE

- Building rigor



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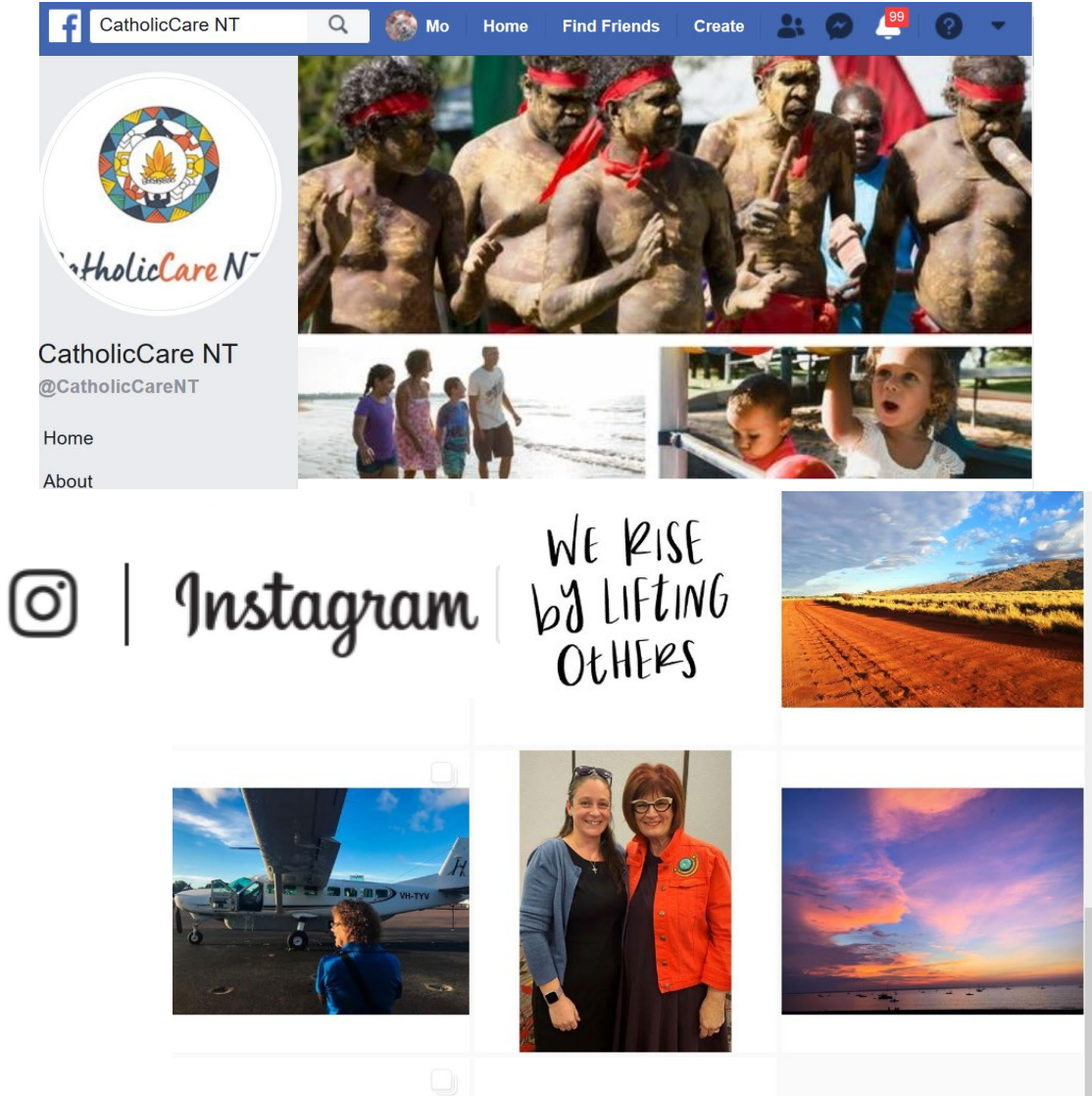
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GOOD NEWS STORY

OUTPUTS REPORTING



EVIDENCE OF THE
DIFFERENCE WE ARE
MAKING

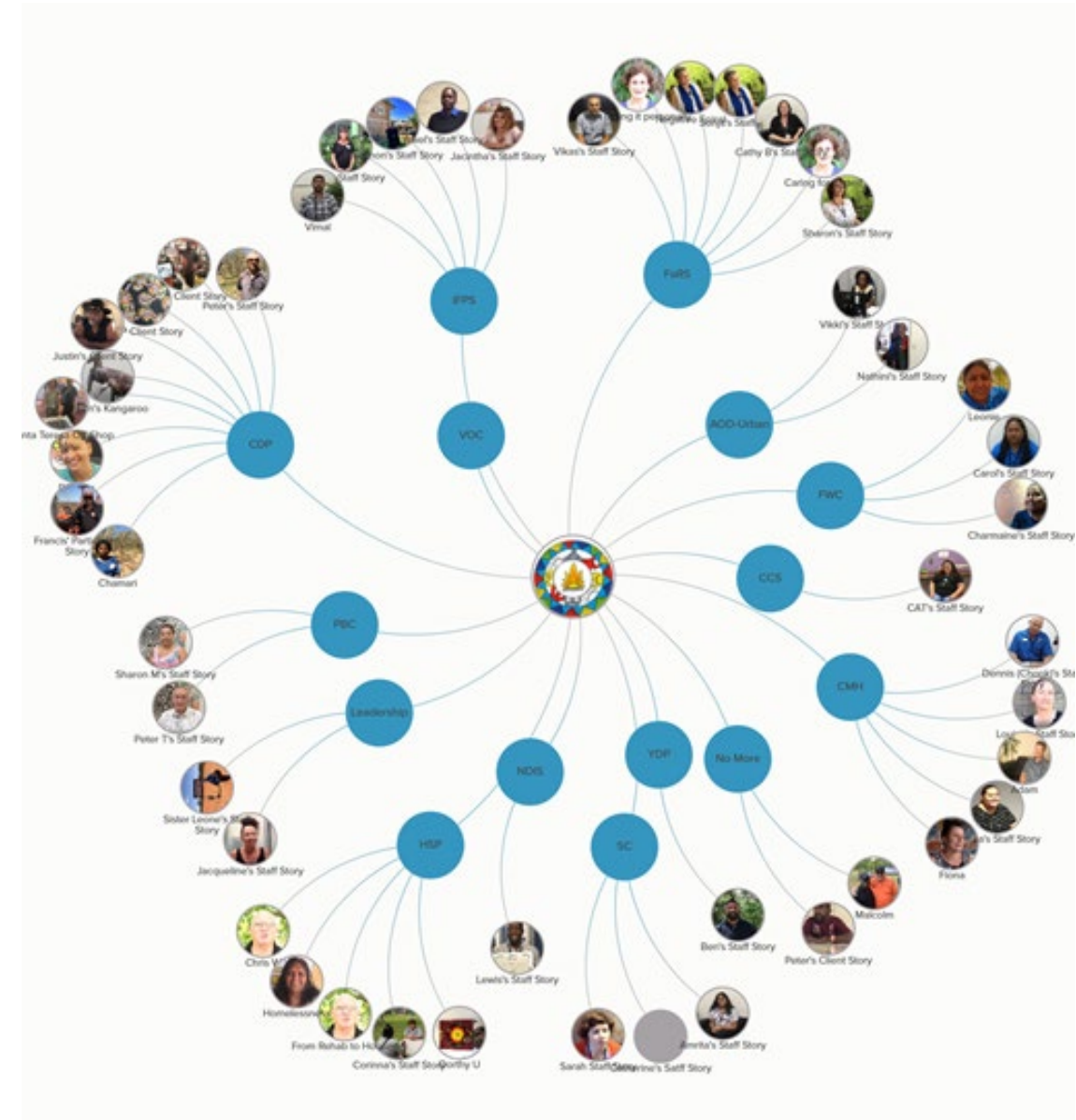
Incorporation of digital evaluation story method within M&E

1. Where we are at
2. How we got to this point
3. Advantages of approach
4. Driving forces that enabled us
5. Road bumps and obstacles navigated
6. Lessons for learner drivers



Where we are now

- Incorporated **evaluation stories of change** in M&E
- 1-2 evaluation stories of change per staff per year





2.How we got to this point –Building rigor

Moving from Good News Story to Evaluation Story

1. Participatory action research approach- shifting to rigor in stages over **time** and being **responsive**
2. ECB – coaching and mentoring
 - External coaching
 - Shifted to internal mentoring (after 18-24 months)
 - Linking Story to TOC and then TOC back to Story
3. Building and establishment of a Toolkit including Evaluation Story

2. Building rigor – focus on 3 stages



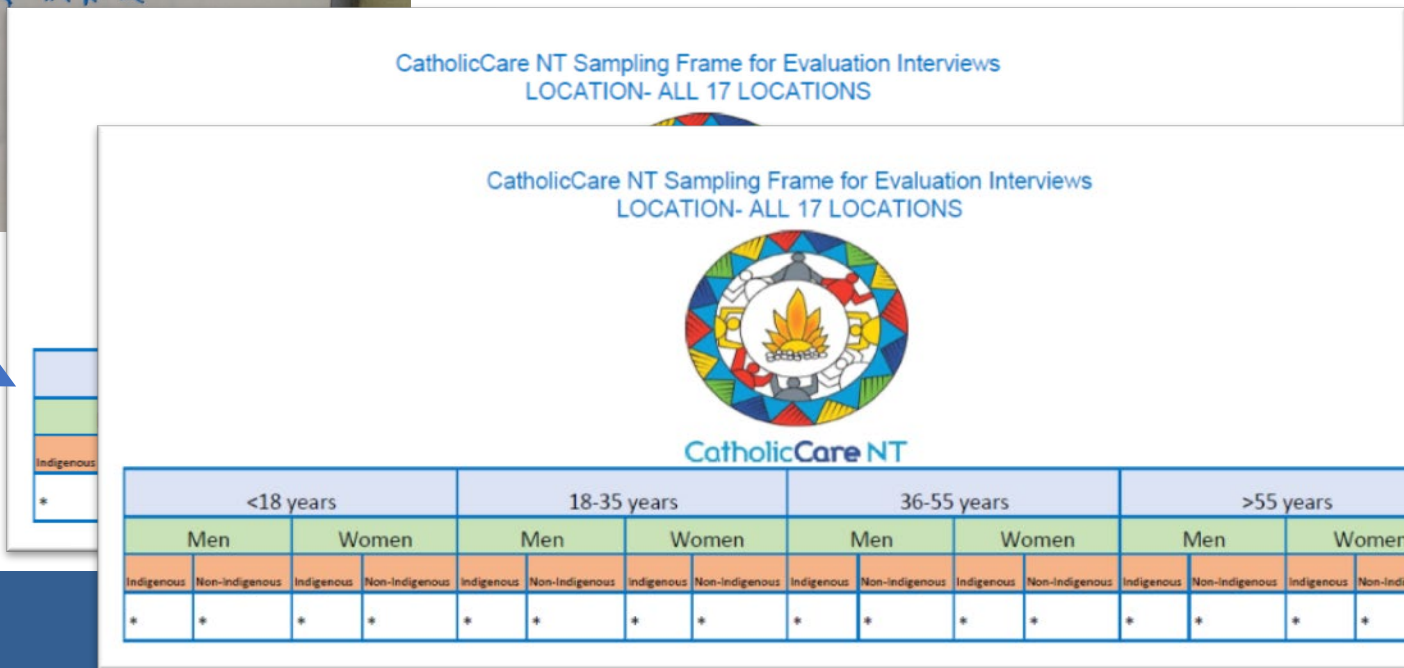
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Checklist for Consent Form – Evaluation

For use with both first and second stage consent. It is important that you explain to the client/participant/carer or guardian the information contained in the Consent Form – Evaluation (ORG/CA/F022) before they agree to consent. This checklist is an aid to ensure you cover the main themes.

How will my information be shared and stored?

☐ The reason why we share this information was explained?

☐ The method of sharing was explained?

Storage of information was explained

☐ Stored securely.

☐ Separate from personal files.

☐ Raw data used to produce End Product

☐ Only end product and summary of other stakeholders.

☐ The client/participant/carer or guardian

☐ End Product (story) and consent

☐ Data can be de-identified. (if not)

Are there risks to me if I consent?

☐ The potential risks associated with

☐ Discussed options to remain and

☐ being filmed while talking about your story

What are the benefits for me or others?

☐ Better outcomes for clients/participants

☐ Improvement and personal health

What happens if I do not want to go?

☐ Clients/participants/carer or guardian

☐ decision will not affect the care and

☐ The purpose for the use was clearly

☐ explained.

Organisation Form: Checklist for Consent Form – Evaluation

ORG/CA/F022 V1.0

Date Re



Consent Form – Evaluation

CatholicCare NT (CCNT) is committed to improving the programs and services we provide by continually gaining insights into the difference we make to people's lives and how we can do it better. CCNT invites clients to take part in the evaluation of our programs and services. Your participation is voluntary and may involve:

- ☐ conversational interview that is recorded (the recording deleted once the interview is written up)
- ☐ de-identified written stories about your experience with CCNT
- ☐ having your picture taken during a conversational interview
- ☐ being filmed while talking about your story

After the information contained in the consent form is explained to you, please tick the boxes that you prefer.

How will my information be used?

Raw data in the form of interview transcripts and unedited film will be used to produce a final edited version in the form of a film or written story, the End Product. We will always give you the opportunity to review the End Product before it is used for evaluation and reporting. Both the End Product and original interview transcript or film will be used internally by CCNT for evaluation and improvement of services. Only the End Product will be used for evaluation reporting, conferences and CCNT website.

Storage of Raw Data and End Product

Raw data in the form of original unedited film and de-identified interview transcripts will be stored securely and separately from your personal files, such as case notes. End product written stories will be de-identified. For example, your name and other identifying information will be removed so someone reading it will not know it is you. During the production of End Product filmed stories, we can avoid taking pictures of your face or other identifying images if you do not wish to be identified.

Are there any risks to me if I consent?

The potential risks associated with your participation might result from being recognised in any story that involves you. Some people will want to be recognised and others will not. We will discuss with you the potential risks associated with being identified as a result of your involvement in CCNT programs. You will be provided with options wherever possible to remain anonymous if you wish to, even through film. There is no financial (\$) cost if you participate.

What are the benefits for me or others?

Your participation contributes to the evidence that shows the difference that CCNT's programs and services are making to clients, family members and communities. Your participation can also help to identify gaps in services that may result in further

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Form – Evaluation	Date Reviewed: October 2018	Page 1 of 2
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A. BASIC INTERVIEW GUIDE - FARS/GENERAL COUNSELLING CATHOLICARE NT

TOPIC 1 ENGAGEMENT WITH CATHOLICARE NT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

B. BASIC INTERVIEW GUIDE - NO MORE program CATHOLICARE NT

TOPIC 1 ENGAGEMENT WITH CATHOLICARE NT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

L. BASIC INTERVIEW GUIDE - FWC CATHOLICARE NT

TOPIC 1 ENGAGEMENT WITH CATHOLICARE NT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Q1 Can you tell me about what was happening when you decided to access the Financial Wellbeing and Capability (FWC) program?

Probes

- What was going on for you at the time?
- What impact was the problem having on your life? (your wellbeing, your relationships)
- What picture comes to mind when you think about that problem that portrays what you felt you were up against?

Prompts

- What % of your life was affected by the problem?
- How did you hear about the services?
- What happened to make you get in contact with CatholicCare NT?

Q2 What was it like for you when you first accessed the FWC?

Prompts

- What was it like for you connecting with our staff and support?
- What was helpful for you?
- What wasn't that helpful?
- What did you find hard when you were trying to get help from CatholicCare NT?

TOPIC 2 CHANGES IN YOUR DAY-TO-DAY LIFE, AFTER ENGAGING WITH THE SERVICE - THE TURNING POINT

Q3 Has your situation changed?

Prompts

- What was the turning point for you?
- How have you been able to reduce the impacts of the problem in your life?
- In what way was CatholicCare NT helpful to you?
- Has CCNT provided you with any useful information you have now and you didn't have before?

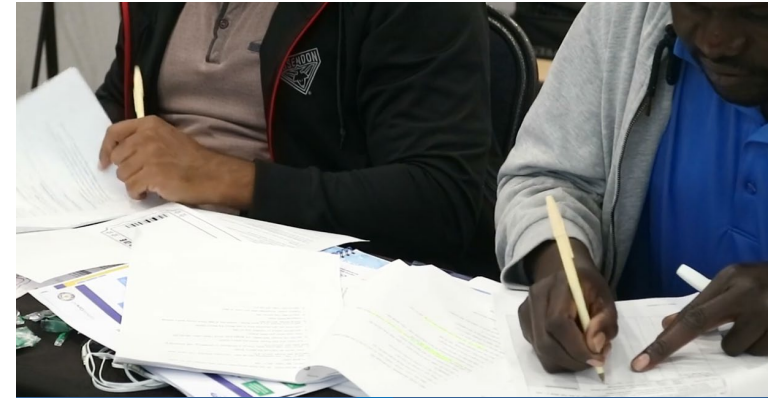
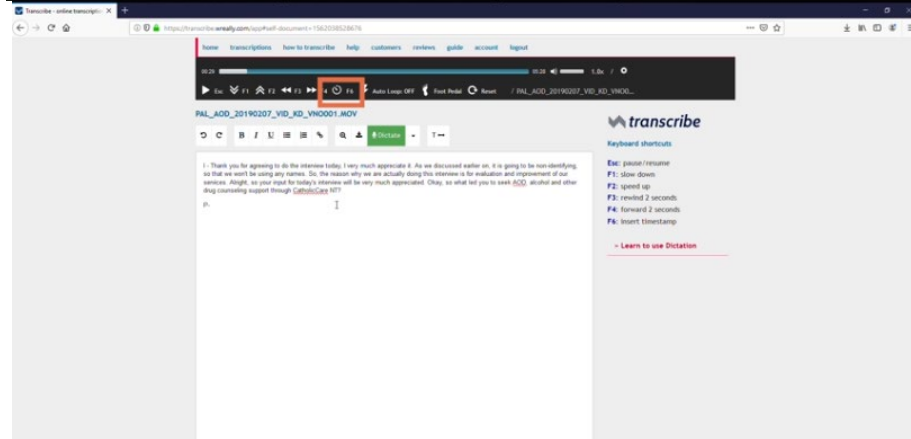
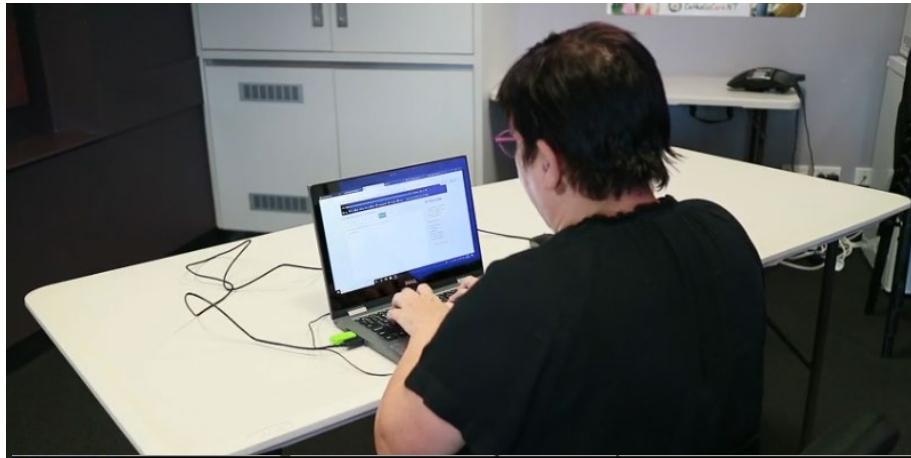
Q4 How have FWC staff supported you and your family to make changes in your day to day life?

Probes

- That is interesting...
- Can you tell me more about that?
- Can you give me an example?
- What else?



Data management and analysis



INTERVIEW ANALYSIS FORM: PART A - STAFF MEMBER

INTERVIEW DETAILS			
Interviewer name:	Program:		
Site location:	Date of interview:		
Type of interview:	☐ Video ☐ Audio ☐ Other/notes		
Participant consent provided:	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Notes/location:			
Interview Transcript provided (includes cover page):	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Notes/location:			
BEGINNING OF STORY CONTEXT AND CHALLENGE PRESENTED FOR			
Topic/question	Begin time code	End time code	Insert text – in quotes from transcript
1. What was the problem or challenge for the participant?			

INTERVIEW ANALYSIS FORM: PART B - REGIONAL GROUP

PROGRAM EVALUATION			
1. Use the TOC for your program (include an A4 copy in the interview. Include the time codes at the end of these 3 outcomes on the Program TOC)			
2. Note any ways this participant's experience could apply to the TOC from this interview).			
TOC outcome ST, MT, LT	Begin time code	End time code	Insert from

INTERVIEW ANALYSIS FORM: PART D - PANEL

RIGOUR OF INTERVIEW EVIDENCE					
	1 Poor	2 Fair	3 Good	4 Very Good	5 Excellent
1. Depth of participant responses Comments:	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Little information from participant		Some depth in participant response		Large sections of in-depth information from participant
2. Authenticity of responses (i.e. a genuine participant perspective) Comments:	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Not authentic		Authentic		Very authentic
3. Interviewer questions Comments:	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Mostly leading or closed questions off topic		On topic - follows interview guide. Some open-ended questions and use of probes and prompts		Mostly open-ended questions and use of probes and prompts
4. Interviewer restraint from judgement (both positive and negative judgement)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Many of the interviewers responses contain either positive or negative judgement		Only occasional judgement		No sign of positive or negative judgement
TOTAL SCORE					

2. Toolkit supports the process



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PREPARING to interview

- CatholicCare NT staff members conduct a qualitative interview with a program participant once every 6 months.
- The interview is scheduled in advance. It is not spontaneous.
- An information sheet and a consent form are given to participants and explained to them. Click below to access these documents.

[Add link here](#)

☐ If English is not the participant's first language, an interpreter should be offered for both the consent and the interview.

☐ **WATCH** the video "Evaluation Interview for Outcomes".

☐ Before doing an interview, get familiar with the interview guide for your program and the 5 topics it covers.

☐ If you are doing a non-digital interview, make sure you have a portable voice recorder to record the interview, check the batteries and know how to use it.

☐ If you are doing a digital interview, review the DIGITAL METHODS section of the TOOLKIT.

Use your Outlook calendar to set a reminder for when you need to do a participant interview (every 6 months).

DID YOU KNOW

- It is important that interviews across each program increase the diversity of the participants involved.
- Check with your team leader, lead practitioners and evaluation mentors to make sure the participant you are planning to interview fits the program sampling frame.

After you practice conducting an evaluation interview with another staff member, ask them for a couple of suggestions for improving your technique.

INTERVIEW FOR STORY 5

DOING the interview

Part 2 - A conversation about the five topics

Use this checklist as a guide to assist you in interviewing participants.

☐ **WATCH** the video "Interviewing with the Interview Guide".

☐ Use the printed copy of your program's Interview Guide to guide you through the topics and questions to ask the participant.

☐ Starting with Topic 1, ask the participant the questions that are numbered (e.g. Q1, Q2).

☐ After asking each question, carefully listen to what the participant is saying.

☐ You can use the probe questions if you need to gain more depth in the responses.

☐ You can use prompt questions if you need to help the participant understand the question better.

☐ Focus on listening to the participant talk about the topic areas relevant to their program experience and program outcomes.

☐ Be aware of time and try to keep the participant "on topic" and limit the interview to around 10 minutes and a maximum of 20 minutes.

DID YOU KNOW

- The topics and questions of the interview guide are about our 4 organisational evaluation outcomes:
 - Wellbeing
 - Social Capital
 - Program and Service Integration
 - Satisfaction

Practice using the interview guide to conduct a "mock" participant interview with another staff member.

Talk to an evaluation mentor and other staff about their experience of conducting evaluation interviews.

DID YOU KNOW

- The interview guide for each program has been modified in line with each program TOC.
- Prompt and probe questions are helpful when we are not obtaining much information from participants.

We have learned not to ask leading questions

INTERVIEW FOR STORY 7

ENTERING data

Part 1 - Filing Interview data using CatholicCare NT filing convention

This checklist will help you make sure the interview data is filed correctly for use in the CatholicCare NT evaluation.

☐ **WATCH** the video "Filing participant interview data".

☐ Make sure you have a folder with PROGRAM and STAFF NAME on the USB at your site.

☐ In most cases this folder will be located within a SITE folder (see below)

Site E.g. Berrimah

PROGRAM, Staffname E.g. HSP_Chyle_Weigh

Participantname, SITE, PROGRAM DATE
E.g. John Smith_SDR_HSP_20200606

Each participant interview project has a set of folders named as below

Participantname, SITE, PROGRAM DATE
E.g. John Smith_SDR_HSP_20200606

- 01 Consent
- 02 Interview and Transcript
- 03 B-roll
- 04 Analysis Template and Storyboard
- 05 Completed Files

☐ For each participant interview, the following items need to be filed within the folders (shown below):

- Participant consent- Evaluation- Before interview
- Interview file (audio or digital)
- Completed Interview Summary Template

INTERVIEW FOR STORY 9

3. Advantages of the approach

1. Embedded evaluation skills started and end with story
 - Familiarity with each stage –sampling, interview, analysis
 - Link these to TOCs and eval frameworks
2. Improved work practice through visual story reflection
3. Improved client relationship and agency

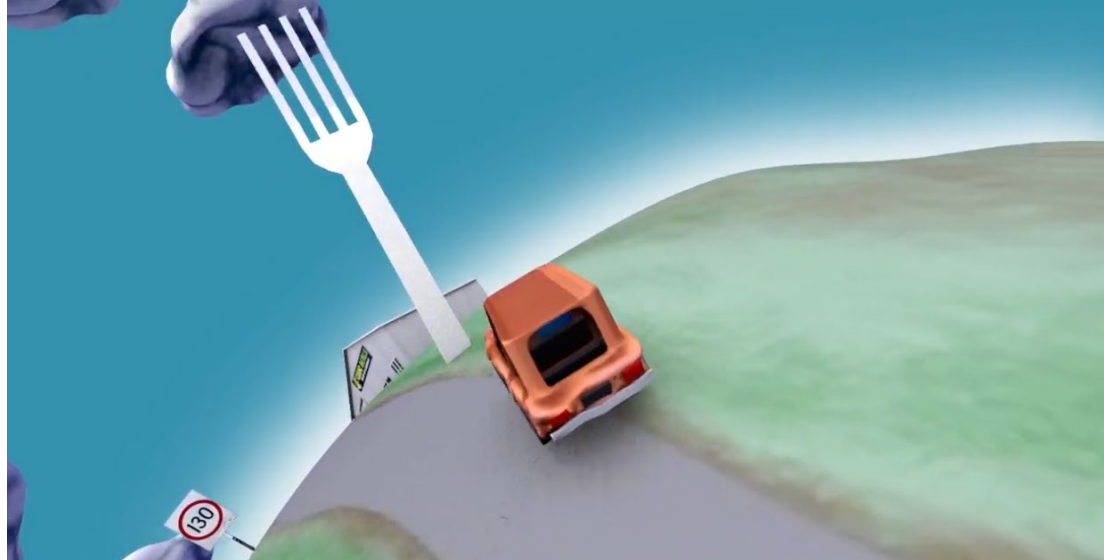
4. Driving forces that enabled us- Organisational ingredients of success

1. Clear shared vision of leadership team – The heart – Determination!
2. High degree of relational trust
3. A responsive organisation



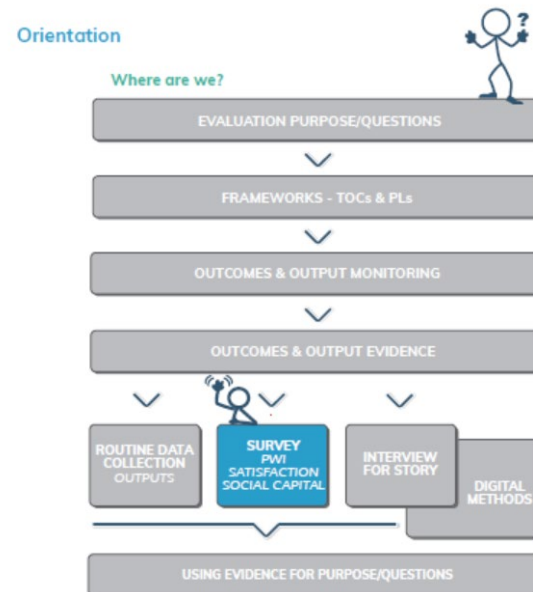
5. The main challenges

1. Confusion upon confusion – Leadership still learning too!
2. Staff at different levels of readiness – Particularly regional managers
3. Visual Evaluation Story-telling complex to integrate



Our advice for others

1. Build eval skills and clarify framework before leading others
2. Clear messaging
3. Early involvement of staff across the organisation in mentoring roles



Thank You

