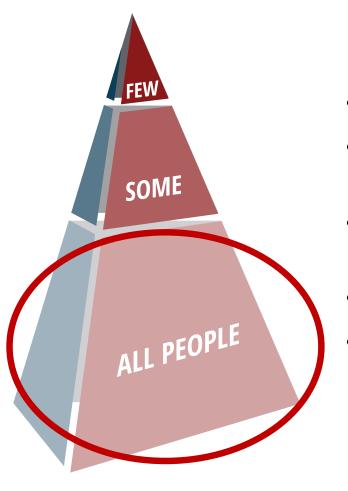


# Minnesota's Tiered Onsite Evaluation Tool (TOET)

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# **Measuring Tier 1 in Provider Organizations**



- Changes in person-centered interactions
- Positive social interactions taught, modeled and reinforced
- Evidence that policies and procedures have changed
- Data-based decision making systems used
- Systems for new staff training and ongoing coaching and supervision

# **Creating a Common Language**

# Minnesota's Standards of Practice: Positive Behavior Support Across the Lifespan

Visit the Standards of Practice



# Minnesota Statewide Organization-Wide Training Infrastructure

## **Training Layers**

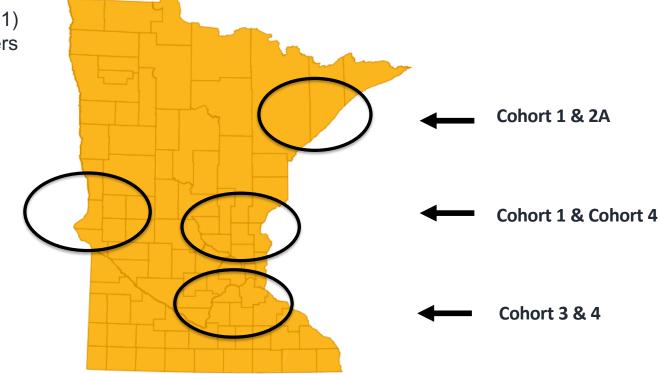
Team Training (T1)

• PCT Trainers/Coach Training (T1)

• Picture of a Life Planners/Trainers

Cohort 2B

PBS Facilitators



Teams Trained = 32
Teams with TOET = 25
Organizations = 12



# **Tiered Onsite Evaluation Tool (TOET)**

## **Key Characteristics**

- 2-4 Hours Onsite Visit to Organization
- Outside Evaluation of Implementation
- Review of Documentation
- Interviews
- Observations

## **TOET Fidelity Includes Monitoring Data-Based Decision Making**

## **Evaluation Questions-Teams**

#### **Efforts Taken**

- Coaches, Key Contacts. PBS Facilitators
- Homes, Areas of Organization (parameters)

## **Fidelity**

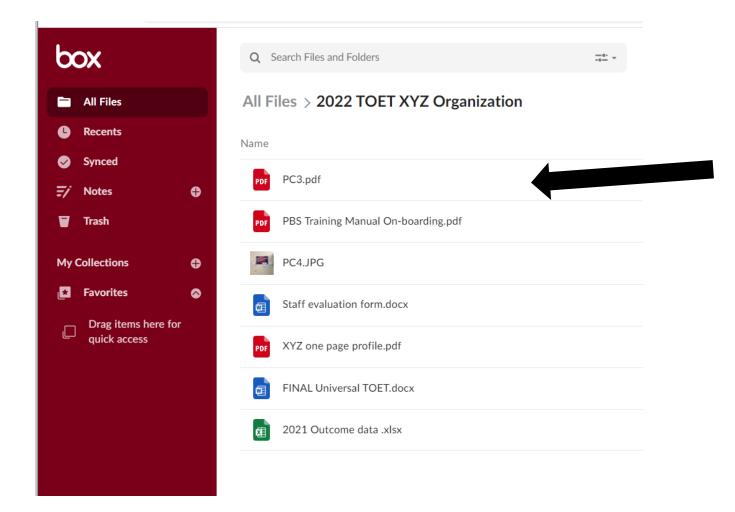
- Self-Assessment
- Onsite Evaluation

#### **Outcomes**

- Quality of Life
- Incident Reports
- Injuries, Sick Days
- Attrition/Retention, Workers Compensation

## **Examples of Evaluation Measures**

- # key contacts
- # of active coaches
- TOET (external evaluation)
- MN Team Checklist (self-assessment)
- Quality of life measures
  - Individual
  - Summary across organization
- Incident reports, injuries, restraint
- Sick leave, attrition/retention workers compensation
- Climate scales staff and people supported
- Surveys of cultural responsiveness



Teams Upload evidence prior to TOET Meeting

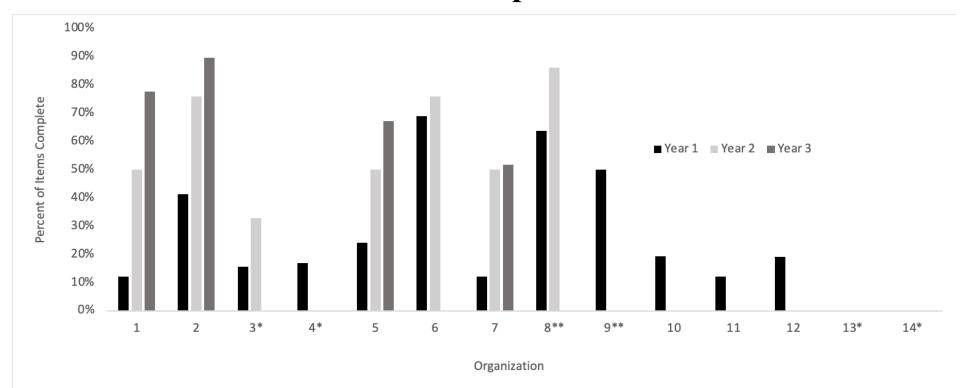
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1.	Team Action Planning/Sta keholder Involvement	4	1.1 Team Composition, 1.2 Team Effectiveness, 1.3 Stakeholder Involvement, 1.4 Consensus Building and Staff Decision Making.	1.1 Team Composition: Working team composition includes administration, key contact(s), universal person-centered (PC) coaches, and practice expertise, PBS expertise, human resources, management, people receiving services and family, and direct staff
				<b>Evidence:</b> Organizational chart or documentation, Meeting Minutes, Interviews
				Scoring: $\theta$ = Team exists but roles are not represented; $I$ = Team exists but some key team members do not attend, or attend less than 80% of the meetings; $2$ = Team members representing key roles attend over 80% of meetings
2.	Universal Person- Centered Practices	4	1.5 Organizational Alignment, 1.6 Policy Alignment, 1.7 Universal Person- Centered Strategies, 1.8 Active Staff Support.	1.5 Organizational Alignment: Vision and mission for organization clearly states person-centered values and/or outcome statements are shared as link to person-centered values
	Tractices		Support	<b>Evidence:</b> Vision and mission statements, Action planning tasks used to align vision and mission, Outcome statements and related document, Units/departments/divisions one-page description to identify their own mission, vision and values statements. Includes everyone in the unit not just team, Action statements indicating the process for mission and vision revisions organization wide.
				Scoring: $\theta$ = no clear alignment of vision or mission statements to personcentered practices and no plan for improvement, $I$ = Vision and mission do not refer to person-centered practices, but a plan is in place to establish person-centered mission/vision statements or outcomes statements are person-centered, $2$ = Vision and mission statement include person-centered language and outcomes aligned with outcome statements and action plan.

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# **Scoring the TOET**

- Implementation points
  - Achieved = 2
  - In progress = 1
  - Not Started = 0
- Criterion for scoring provided for each item
- Percentage of Items Implemented
  - Overall Total
    - ✓ Number of items scored as "Achieved" divided by Total # of items
  - Subscale Scores
    - ✓ Number of items in each subscale area scored as "Achieved" divided by the number of items in that subscale area

# **TOET Scores Across All Provider Organizations Six+ Years of Implementation**



Notes: TOET scores across participating organizations reflecting over six years of participation in TA. Organization 1 is the Case Study example. \*Organizations participating that attrited. \*\*Organizations that were part any earlier PC training funded by the state but became actively involved in the cohort model.

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# **Direct Observation Strategy**

## Part 1 – Staff Members Observed

#### **PC Practices**

- Person-First Language
- Nonjudgmental Language
- Working in Alliance
- Reflective Listening Skills
- Universal Person-Centered Strategies
- Empathic Behaviour

#### **PBS Practices**

- Encouraging Social Interaction
- Supporting Choices
- Reinforcing Others

## Part 2 – Person Supported Observed

- Active Involvement in Conversations/Meetings/Activities
- Engaging in Identified Social behaviors
- Operational Definitions for...
  - Respect
  - Inclusion
  - Support
  - Empathy

## **Part 1: Matrix Observation Process**

Date and Time of Observation: Number of People in the Setting:						
Setting Observed:						
Part 1 Complete Parts 1A and 1B simultaneously during a 20 minute observation period of a selected staff mer the lists below: Mark a plus in the box if you observed an example of the behavior occur within the 5 min						
write a brief note on what you observed.  A. Person-Centered Behaviors						
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Nonjudgmental Descriptive Language	o					
Working in Alliance with the Person	o					
Reflective Listening Skills	o					
Person-Centered Behaviors			_			
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# Part 2

Are People Actively Using the Social Interactional Skills Considered Important?

#### MINNESOTA DIRECT OBSERVATION FORM

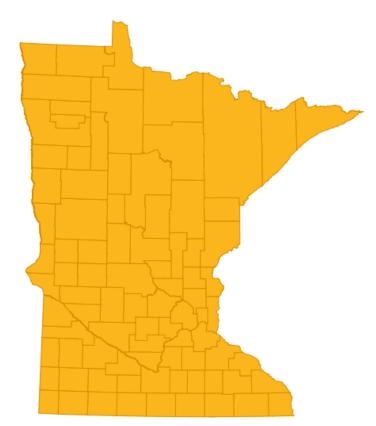
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# **Provider Story of Implementation**

## **Organization Characteristics**

- Within city of 85,852 people
- Supporting 77 people, 200 staff members
- Data implementing 2016-2020
- Supports to people with IDD, mental illness, and traumatic brain injury



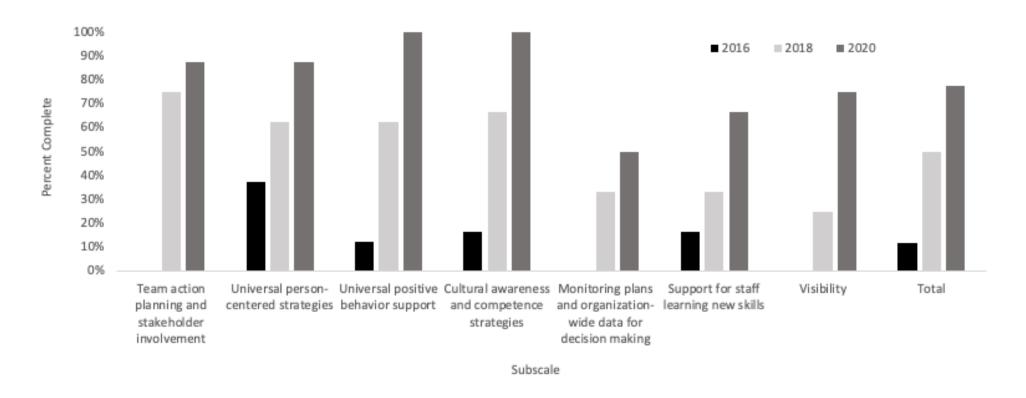
# **Provider Accomplishments (Brief Review)**

## **Positive Behavior Support Activities**

- 12 universal team members meeting regularly
- 30 Coaches taught both PCT tools and PBS to mentor staff
- Targeted "matrix" created in 5 locations within organization
- Created measurement system for incident reports
- Direct observation system piloted connected to supervisory system
- PBS Facilitators & Picture of a Life trained facilitators in training (tiers 2/3)

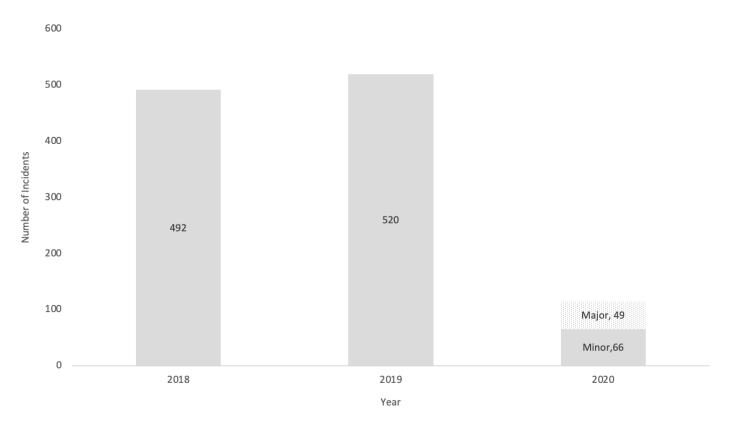
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Respect	Get chores done on time, before dinner	Say, "thank you". Offer each other compliments on good food.	Honor each other's process, but keep up the timeline.	Tell the other person if you are not going grocery shopping. Watch for other people's feet while driving the cart. Be OK with what the other person picks out.
Kindess	Say, "thank you" or, "that looks good.".	Assist each other in looking up new recipes on the tablet.	Ask if help is needed	Learn how to make the grocery list. Do the grocery list together. Pick-up something your roommate might like.
Helpfulness	Maybe get a kudos board. Offer to bring supplies if needed.	Offer to teach each other cooking skills	Rinse your plate. Clear your dishes. Put away someone else's dishes.	Help carry the groceries in from the car. Help make the list.
Communication	Look at the calendar so you don't havew to remind each other. Let your great work speak for itself (No need to talk about what you did)	Look at calendar to know what is going on. Learn the likes and dislikes of each other. Ask the likes and dislikes of each other.	Tell each other if you need to switch days.	Tell your roommate if you are not going shopping. Look at the calendar to see whose day it is.

# **TOET Data From 2016 – 2020 for the Case Study Example**



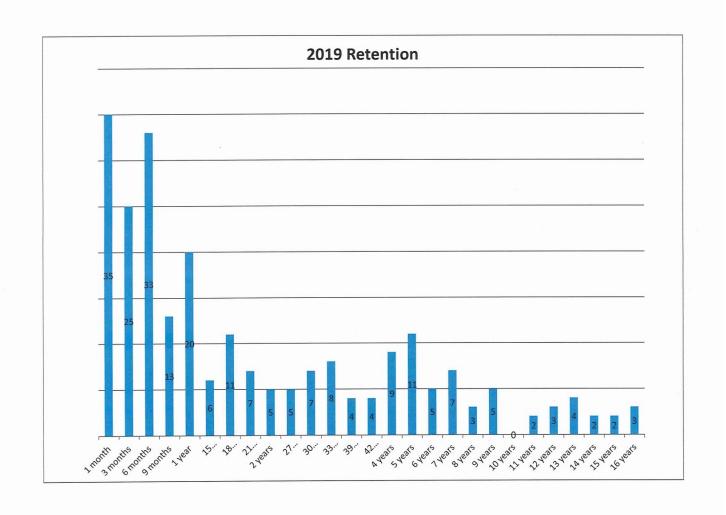
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# **Annual Incident Report Data 2018-2020**



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# Staff Retention Data for the Organization



# TOET Updates and Improvements Summary



- Add Tiers 2 and 3
- Follow same validity path for expanding to tiers 2 & 3
- Creating new subscales for positive supports starting with Traumainformed supports
- Work with the Arc to establish quality of life interviews as part of TOET

# Adding Quality of Life Interviews to the TOET

## **Next Steps for Improving the TOET**

Challenges with Direct Observation-works well for advanced organizations

If BCBAs are in management and leadership roles

## Adding Feedback from People with Lived Experience

Work with regional team and organizations

Regional Council members will develop and assist in piloting quality of life assessment

2 provider organizations implementing over 3+ years will participate

Help to establish and finalize evaluation



# **Adding Subscales to the TOET**

## **Current Subscales**

- Teams
- Person-Centered Practices
- Positive Behavior Support
- Cultural Responsiveness
- Supporting Staff
- Visibility

## **New Subscales (or Edits) Discussed**

- Trauma-informed Supports
- Multiple PC Practices



# Thank you for your time!

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