Defining Organizational Performance Results Using Standardized Logic-Models

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Presentation Objectives

- To provide an understanding of defining organizational performance results using standardized logic-models:
- An Overview of Performance Results Management North American Context;
- An Introduction to Performance Results Management:
 - Results based Management Accountability
 RMAFs) and it's components;
 - Logic-Model a Management Tool;
 - Standardized Logic-Models;
 - Applications of Standardized Logic-Models;
 - Performance Measurement Strategy; and
- Conclusions

An Overview of Performance Results Management North American Context

- Governments all over the world are faced with increasing public pressures to demonstrate good governance
- Governments are striving to:
 - become more citizen-focused, accountable and transparent;
 - provide better services at reduced costs; and
 - build public confidence in their institutions.

Challenges

- Managing for performance results is the prime responsibility of public service managers:
 - expected to define anticipated performance results;
 - continually focus attention towards performance results achievement;
 - measure performance regularly and objectively;
 - learn and adjust to improve efficiency and effectiveness; and
 - be accountable for their performance to higher management, to ministers, to Parliament and to the public.

Canadian Federal Government Initiatives

- Results for Canadians a Management Framework for Government of Canada
- Modern Comptrollership
- Risk Based Audit Framework (RBAF)
- Results-based Management Accountability Framework (RMAF)
- Human Resources Modernization
- Service Improvement
- Government On-Line
- Program Activity Architecture (PAA)
- Management, Resources and Results Structure (MRRS)

Results for Canadians: a Management Framework for Government of Canada

- Results for Canadians: a Management Framework for Government of Canada – 2000:
- Four main objectives of Results for Canadians:
 i) a citizen focus in all government activities;
 ii) emphasis on values;
 iii) achievement of results;and

iv) responsible use of public funds

 Aid to deputy heads and managers in translating the vision of modern public management in to performance expectation statements

Expenditure Review Committee (ERC)

- Expenditure Review Committee (ERC) created on December 12, 2003:
- New, cabinet-level committee is responsible for reviewing all federal spending;
- chaired by the President of the Treasury Board and composed of senior government Ministers
- The Expenditure Review Committee to review all government program expenditures in order to:
 - ensure value-for-money for taxpayer investments;
 - identify opportunities to reallocate federal spending from lower to higher priority programs; and
 - recommend ways to strengthen management, oversight and effective delivery of programs and services.

Management, Resources and Results Structure (MRRS)

- Management, Resources and Results Structure (MRRS)
 Policy implemented on April 1, 2005:
- MRRS supports the development of a common, government-wide approach to the collection, management, and reporting of financial and non-financial performance information; and
- Provides government departments with the flexibility and discretion needed to design and manage their programs in a manner that best achieves results for Canadians

US Government Initiative

- Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) signed into law on August 3, 1993:
- Federal departments and agencies required to prepare annual performance plans, setting out specific performance goals for a fiscal year;
- Annual government-wide performance plan prepared by Office of Management and Budget (OMB);
- The government-wide performance plan is a part of the President's budget and is transmitted to Congress;
- The levels of program performance to be achieved corresponds with the program funding level in the budget

US Government Initiative

- GPRA:
- Federal departments and agencies submit an annual program performance report to the President and Congress
- The report compares actual performance with the goals set in the annual performance plan
- Managers given greater flexibility by allowing the waiver of various administrative controls and limitations;
- Managers expected to be more accountable for the performance of their programs and operations; and
- The annual report is due six months after the end of a fiscal year.

An Introduction to Performance Results Management

• Definition of Performance Results Management

"It is the clear definition of program and project profiles, the performance results chain: inputs (resources); the key- results activities; outputs; immediate, intermediate, and final outcomes; and the associated performance measures/indicators, the continuous measurement, monitoring and evaluation against agreed performance plans and targets, reporting of performance information for evidence-based decision making and to effect improvement in the design and development of policies, programs and initiatives".

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Performance Results Management Structure

GENERIC PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE



Performance Results Management Structure – Correctional Service Department: Correctional Service Canada

- Branch Level Activity: Correctional Programs
- Directorate Level Sub-Activity: Standards for Correctional Program; Education and Employment; Family Violence; Living Skills; Sexual Offender program; Violence Prevention program
- Divisional Level Sub-Sub Activity: International Transfer of Offenders
- Program or Project Level Sub-Sub-Sub Activity: Aboriginal Initiatives

Results-based Management Accountability Frameworks (RMAF)

A blueprint for managers to help them focus on measuring and reporting on outcomes throughout the lifecycle of a policy, program or initiative

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Results-based Management Accountability Frameworks (RMAF)

- Components of an RMAF (TBS Guidelines):
 - Program, Project or Initiative Profile;
 - Results-based Logic-Models;
 - Performance Measurement Strategy;
 - Evaluation Strategy; and
 - Reporting Strategy

Results-based Management Accountability Frameworks (RMAF)

 Components of an RMAF (TBS New Guidelines February 2005):

- Program Profile
- Expected Results Results-based Logic Model
- Monitoring and Evaluation

Logic-Model A Management Tool

• What is a Logic-Model?

"Logic Model, also referred to as Performance Results-based Logic Model is a graphic representation of the causal or logical linkages and relationships between inputs: resources; and money; key results core and enabling activities and the transformation or conversion processes of a policy, program, project or initiative that leads to the achievement of intended organizational impacts and effects, the performance results: outputs, immediate, intermediate and final outcomes,"

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Components of a Logic-Model

- Program or Project Components or Elements
- Inputs: Resources
- Key-Results Activities/Transformation or conversion Processes
- Outputs
- Outcomes: Immediate or Now; Intermediate or Later; and Final or Ultimate (Intended and Untended Impacts and Effects)

Logic Model Definitions

- **Input:** Resources: human; material; and financial, etc. used to carry out key-results activities to produce outputs and/or accomplish results
- Key-Results Activity/Transformation or conversion Process: an operation or work process that an organization uses to convert the resources (inputs) in to specific outputs: end products or services
- **Key-Results Activities** are the primary link in the chain through which outcomes are achieved

Logic Model Definitions

- **Output:** end products or services that result directly from the activities/transformation or conversion processes of a policy, program or initiative, and delivered to a target group or population
- **Outcome** An external consequence attributed to an organization, policy, program or initiative that is considered significant in relation to its commitments
- Outcomes may be described as: immediate, intermediate or final, direct or indirect, intended or unintended

Performance Results Chain



EFFICIENCY

EFFECTIVENESS

Logic Model Definitions

- Effectiveness: The extent to which an organization, policy, program or initiative is meeting its planned intended performance results
- **Cost Effectiveness:** The extent to which an organization, program, project or initiative is achieving its planned intended outcomes in relation to expenditure of resources
- Efficiency: The extent to which an organisation, policy, program or initiative is producing its planned outputs in relation to expenditure of resources
- Effiiciency: Is the ratio of input to output. Usually expressed as a percentage

Results based Logic-Model Structure



Logic-Model: Benefits

- Clarifies objectives
- Facilitates program and project planning, measurement, monitoring, evaluation and reporting of performance results
- A visual representation or a map of program and project theory and action
- Shows logical performance results sequence or chain
- Stakeholder consensus on performance measures, evaluation and reporting focus

Logic-Model: Limitations

- Linear Newtonian causality model
 - Challenge of causal attribution
- A snapshot of a program at a given point in time
- Based on program assumptions

Standardized Results-based Logic-Model

- Main Attributes:
 - Few high level generic key-results activities with standardized descriptions
 - Core and enabling key-results activities
 - Few standard key outputs (end products or services) based on 80/20 Pareto's law
 - Few common outcome statements
 - Suite of common performance measures/indicators consistency of measurement, evaluation, and reporting of performance information
 - Cost effective data collection and analysis

STANDARDIZED PROGRAM LOGIC-MODEL



- Types of Key Results Activities:
 - Core Key-Results Activities: the activity or activities that produce the key program or project end products or services
 Examples: transfer of offenders; treatment services; etc.
 - Enabling Key-Results Activities: the activities that support the core key-results activities of the program or project

Examples: collaboration with different levels of government; promotion and prevention, community capacity development; etc.

• Standard Core Key Results Activity description:

Design, develop, deliver, co-ordination and evaluate core programs and services

- Standard Enabling Key Results Activity descriptions:
 - collaborate with Federal, provincial, territorial and international authorities and organizations;
 - educate and create awareness of policy, program and initiatives; and
 - build capacity: develop skills of workforce

- Standard Key Outputs (end-products or service) associated with core key results activity:
 - policies, procedures, standards, guidelines, frameworks, plans, projects, reports, program specific outputs

- Standard Key Outputs (end-products or service) associated with enabling key results activity:
- agreements, joint projects, working groups, committees, councils, strategic alliances;
- education and awareness material, awareness campaigns, websites;
- training material, training sessions, trained workers

- Standardized immediate or now outcomes:
 - increased and improved collaboration and networking;
 - improved continuum of programs and supports;
 - increased participation of targeted and vulnerable population in programs and support; and
 - increased awareness of policies, programs and initiatives

• Standardized intermediate or later outcomes:

- increased behaviour changes of international transferees;
- increased capacity to deliver international transfer escorts, consular and community agency services; and
- improved access to quality wellcoordinated international program

• Standardized final or ultimate outcome:

- policy, programs and initiatives contributes to the strategic outcome of an organization

Applications of Standardized Logic-Models

- International Offender Transfer Program
- Program Components:
 - Collaboration with all levels of the Canadian and International Criminal Justice Systems;
 - Transfer policy and procedures (organization and administration),
 - Treaty negotiations;
 - Transfer of offenders (operations management);
 - Offender and Public education and awareness;
 - Public relations; and
 - building of international transfer human resources capacity: correctional escort officers, consular officials and community agency personnel
- International Offender Transfers Program
- Program Activities:
 - Collaborate with Federal, Provincial, Territorial and International Criminal Justice System Authorities and organizations;
 - Design, develop, implement, co-ordinate and evaluate International Offender Transfer Program and services;
 - Educate and create offender and public awareness of the benefits of international transfer of offenders
 - Build capacity of international transfer escort officers, consular officials and community personnel

- Standard Key Outputs (end-products or service) associated with key results activity of International Transfer of Offenders:
 - Agreements: signed and ratified treaties; and administrative agreements
 - International transfer policies, Commissioner's directives, procedures, standards, guidelines, frameworks, plans, projects, reports, Consular visits, transfers completed, transferees
 - Offender and public education and awareness material (international transfer information booklets)
 - Education and awareness campaigns/information sessions: offender information exchange
 - Trained Officials: Correctional Service Escort Officers; Consular Officials and Community Agency personnel

- Standardized immediate or now outcomes:
 - increased and improved collaboration and networking;
 - improved international program delivery;
 - increased participation of countries and offenders; and
 - increased awareness of the benefits of international transfers

- Standardized intermediate or later outcomes:
 - increased behaviour changes of international transferees;
 - increased capacity to deliver international transfer escorts, consular and community agency services; and
 - improved access to quality wellcoordinated international program

- Standardized final or ultimate outcome:
 - International transfer program contributes to the successful rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders in to society

Performance Measurement Strategy

 Selection, development and on-going use of performance measures to guide corporate decisionmaking

 The range of information in a performance measurement strategy could include: reach; outputs and outcomes; performance indicators; data sources; methodology; and costs

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Performance Measurement Strategy

- Performance Measures/Indicators (how will we objectively know?)
- Data source (where will we get the information?)
- Data collection methods and tools (how will we measure and analyze, and at what costs?)
- Responsibility for data collection
- Timing/Frequency of data collection

Performance Measures/Indicator

• **Performance Measure/Indicator:** Is a unit of measurement (a statistic or parameter) that provides performance information in quantitative and or qualitative terms on the extent to which a policy, program or initiative is achieving its intended performance results: outputs; and outcomes - immediate or now; intermediate or later and final or ultimate

Key Output Performance Measures/Indicators

Examples:

- # and type of formal collaborative agreements established;
- # and type of joint projects established;
- # and type of working groups/councils established to deal with specific issues or subject matter; and
- # and type of committees established (examples: intra and inter departmental committees).

Key Output Performance Measures/Indicators

Examples:

- # and type of policies developed;
- *#* and type of procedures developed;
- # and type of reports produced (examples: best practices, evaluation, research and environmental scans)
- # and type of projects completed (examples of projects to be reported: parenting, breastfeeding, mentor cultural activities)
- # and type pf plans produced
- # and types of awareness campaigns conducted

Common Immediate or Now Outcome: Increased and improved collaboration and networking

Performance Measures/Indicators

- # and types of partnerships established through agreements, inter and intra departmental committees including working groups and strategic alliances
- Satisfaction of Partners

Common Immediate or Now Outcome: Improved continuum of programs and supports in communities

Performance Measures/Indicators

- # and types of programs and supports delivered in the community
- International transfer participant satisfaction

Common Immediate or Now Outcome: Increased participation of individuals, families and communities in programs and supports

 - increase/decrease in the # and type of participants (by age and gender) in programs by Performance Measures/Indicators

- % increase/decrease in the # of offenders participating (by age and gender) in the international transfer program

Common Intermediate or Later Outcome: increased behavior changes in targeted and vulnerable population

Performance Measures/Indicators

Example:

 Incremental change in behaviour: example, healthy behaviours

- Incremental change in offender criminal behaviour

Common Intermediate or Later Outcome: Increased capacity to manage and administer programs and supports

Performance Measures/Indicators

- % increase/decrease in the # and type of trained/skilled workers, working in the community
- % increase/decrease in the # and type of trained/skilled escorts, consular officials and community agency personnel

Final or Ultimate Outcome

- International offender transfer program:
 - Recidivism rates of transferees

Conclusions

- Suite of common performance measures /indicators universal application
- Impact on cost of performance management
- Supports evaluation and reporting strategies consistency through common performance management language
- Supports evidence-based decision making and accountability
- Complementary to other performance management tools

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