

## Yes, We Can 1 – #EIE2021

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### Thinking outside the box – Using the Hexagon tool to assess the implementation potential of early intervention approaches

#### *The Wicked Problem*

Increasing the delivery of evidence-based approaches goes beyond choosing highly evidenced programmes. It requires consideration of how to sustainably implement approaches that meet the needs, values and priorities of communities.

***How can we increase engagement in a multidimensional approach to making informed investment decisions, and stop thinking inside the box, with consideration only given to evidence ratings for programmes or continuing to deliver what is already in place?***

This is what we want to discuss with attendees in this session

#### *Background*

The Early Intervention Framework is a web-based resource that allows the comparison of prevention and early intervention mental health approaches. It uses the [National Implementation Research Network's Hexagon Exploration Tool](#) to evaluate the potential of such approaches across three programme- and three implementing site-related dimensions.

We will be using this tool in our discussion.

#### *Who is this for (target audience)?*

This session will be tailored to those involved at all levels of investment decision making across human services.

