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## #34 - The Journey to Evidence: Adopting Evidence- Based Programs in an Australian Child Welfare Organization

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### Objectives/aims

In response to a crisis in the child welfare sector in Australia, OzChild moved to adopt evidence-based programs (EBPs) to deliver improved outcomes to children and families. This case study focuses on the adoption and implementation of the first suite of EBPs, examining the strategies, decision-making processes and challenges addressed by OzChild. Interviews with leaders and managers involved are situated within existing research on organizational change and EBP adoption in human service organizations. It will cover the organisational changes needed to ready for EBPs, scaling EBPs, Implementation and Impact.

### Methods

This 20-minute in person presentation is modified from a case study published in the journal "Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership & Governance."  
Available here: <https://doi.org/10.1080/23303131.2021.1906372>

### Main findings

OzChild scaled from 3 initial individual EBPs: 1) TFCO- scaled from one team to six teams, 2) FFT-CW scaled from one team to twelve teams, 3) SafeCare scaled from one team to three teams.

### Results to be presented:

- 3-year longitudinal Data on one FFT CW Team (and how many children remain safely at home) in Victoria

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- Highlights of the Evaluation and Outcome Data of an Aboriginal Only FFT CW Team in the ACT
- 75 TFCO Graduations from Victoria, NSW, Qld and South Australia
- Implementation learnings and the use of implementation science