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**Scaling up state-wide: balancing the need for reach, fidelity and sustainability**

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**Objectives/aims**

Scaling up a program while maintaining fidelity requires a dynamic approach with strong leadership and the capacity to adapt the implementation in response to the context of the community, implementing organisation and their needs. This presentation follows on from one presented at AIC2016. In 2016 we presented an overview of the approach taken to plan the state-wide implementation of an evidence-based parenting program in Queensland. Two years on we will present on what we have done, what we’ve learnt through the process and what we’re planning next.

**Methods**

This panel presentation will briefly describe the initiative, starting with an overview of the aims, context and description of activities and achievements over the past 3 years.

Findings will be presented from the initial pilot, with a particular focus on how these informed revisions to implementation strategies and processes. In addition, the newly developed Quality and Fidelity Monitoring Process will be presented, including how this was developed, how it is being put in place and received by local organisations.

The format of the session will be a mix of presentations, video case studies and discussion.

**Main findings**

Scaling up an EBP state-wide in a 2-year pilot is challenging but achievable. It requires a thorough understanding of the program, its evidence and the implementation strategies that are best suited to achieving sustainable outcomes in the local context. It also requires constant attention and review of what’s working to inform changes and resource allocation to ensure outcomes are achieved.

Implications are discussed for how to support program scale up at a pace that allows for maximum community benefit, as well as encouraging and supporting practitioners and organisations to help families experience benefits**.**