

Wellbeing Procurement Learning Group SPRING 2023 - SPRING 2024

Procurement is an important lever for social change that has the power to alter the landscape of our systems. It can change practices and services, remove barriers for people and orient our systems towards eliminating inequities instead of perpetuating them. A human services procurement that uses wellbeing as a design principle can support durable change that is more equitable, works across issue areas, reduces the push and pull that people in multiple systems experience, and leverages the power and value of informal support and community resources.

This Learning Group is an opportunity to learn and troubleshoot together with other human services leaders on how best to integrate wellbeing as a design principle into existing procurement processes. We will start by planning to meet for one year and reassess at the end of the year for next steps, if any.

Goals:

- Dive deep to understand how to increase access to wellbeing through procurement.
- Identify opportunities for using wellbeing as a design principle in procurement steps and processes.
- Work toward developing an RFR/RFP that aligns with wellbeing, including training for reviewers.
- Explore how to address issues and challenges using wellbeing as a design principle.
- Create a community where Learning Group members can lean on each other for ideas on how to implement wellbeing design principles in a variety of contexts and environments.
- Share learnings with others outside the Learning Group.

Expected format:

- Monthly one-hour virtual meeting with heavy emphasis on discussion and relationship building.
- Topics collaboratively generated with Learning Group members.
 - o Items drawn from the Contracting for Transformation toolkit.
 - o Guest speakers potentially invited to share content expertise.
- Communication through email and/or messaging service (Slack, Microsoft Teams, etc.) to share resources, troubleshoot and build relationships between meetings.
- Additional resource or material co-creation if there is group demand.

How to join:

Fill out the form at <u>bit.ly/ProcurementLearningGroup</u> to become a member.

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