THE DAC NETWORK ON DEVELOPMENT EVALUATION



PROTECTION OF PEOPLE INVOLVED IN EVALUATION

POSITION OF THE OECD DAC NETWORK ON DEVELOPMENT EVALUATION Principles to guide evaluation

FIRST, DO NO HARM

Avoid exposing people to additional risks through our actions: Protect the rights and welfare of people as well as their anonymity and confidentiality when requested or needed.



This might mean not proceeding with an evaluation.



UPHOLD TRANSPARENCY AND CREDIBILITY

Commit to publishing evaluation findings (even when these are negative) and presenting results in an accessible format with transparent description of data sources. Evaluations should be systematically distributed internally and externally.

MAXIMIZE THE VALUE OF EVALUATION LESSONS:

Systematically distribute evaluations results and target additional interested parties in the wider development community to maximize the use of relevant findings.



Extracted from DCD/DAC/ EV(2022)1. Download the full document, including examples at oe.cd/EvalEthics

Recommendations



Seek **informed consent** from people before any data are collected and allow people to withdraw their consent at any point during the evaluation.



Conduct all evaluations in compliance with all relevant ethical standards, and implement checks for ethical conduct.



Use photos and videos with care, and with the informed consent of people, keeping in mind their protection and dignity.



Do not include individual names or identifiable characteristics if there is a possibility that this might lead to negative consequences.

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