

How can agencies use evaluation to improve program outcomes?

Funders expect non-profits, even small ones, to evaluate their programs. Yet there are countless difficulties in implementing a system, and it's much more costly than most people expect. Based on our **review of 35 different software platforms**, only one software program met the needs of our sector: the District Health Information System (DHIS2).

Why DHIS2?

- → DHIS2 is a free and open source program that has been in development for over 20 years. It is stable and well-supported (by the University of Oslo, plus an international network of experts and software developers)
- → **DHIS2** is **flexible**, and designed to aggregate data that is gathered in multiple formats and locations. It also provides built-in data collection apps for individual client tracking.
- → **DHIS2** is resilient; it is designed to handle intermittent internet connections and low cost data collection on Android and web browsers.
- → It's decentralized DHIS2 is designed to be independent of any one organization or vendor.

If DHIS2 is open source, can't we set it up ourselves?

DHIS2 is complicated to set up, and requires a lot of technical skill to configure it for an agency's needs. There are also hosting and security issues to consider. We have built relationships with top global DHIS2 implementers who set up, secure, design and configure DHIS2 instances for international non- profits. By working with us, we'll tap into their expertise to get your organization using DHIS2.

LogicalOutcomes is a Canadian non-profit. We offer consulting in monitoring and evaluation and stakeholder engagement.

DHIS2 Quick Start

In our Quick Start approach, we start with one program at your agency. Through conversations and worksheet templates, we will configure your own DHIS2 system, and provide training resources to support your core team. Then later you can expand the system to other programs if you wish.

Create your vision and story Determine what matters Define requirements to you Design report templates Define indicators Measure your impact Track outcomes Aggregate data gathered in multiple formats Generate useful reports Customize reports for specific audiences



