***In-Class Exercise for Session 11***

**Program Evaluation Designs and Data Analysis Plans**

**Assignment**: For the first 10 minutes each individual should consider the items below and prepare brief notes about their plans for the program evaluation paper due next week. Next, in groups of about four to seven participants each, take 45 minutes to share your responses and consider revisions to your plan. The entire class will then reconvene for general discussion.

Among the issues to discuss include the following topics:

* Proposed data collection and measurement plans and design
* Short-term, intermediate term, and long-term outcome variables
* What the agency is currently is currently doing in terms of program evaluation, gaps in its current arrangements, and suggestions for adding procedure to address the missing strategies
* Barriers that might be encountered in carrying out your evaluation plan, and potential strategies to address them
* Within your group, try to arrive at a consensus about which individual(s) plans at this point seems to have the best overall design.

Try to facilitate ***everyone*** participating in the discussion. If some are struggling with one or more of the above issues, provide suggestions to provide assistance.