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Working with Citizens Advice

Diane Kennedy, ESS Depute Director (centre of photograph) has worked with staff and volunteers from Citizens Advice Bureaux to produce a guide to be used in CABx across Scotland. [Measuring Outcomes Citizens Advice](#) explains, measures and proves the outcomes achieved by advice work and was launched at the [Shared Perspectives on Outcomes of Advice Work conference](#) in Glasgow in October.



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Upcoming workshops and events

[What are my outcomes?](#)

21 January 2016, Glasgow

[Collecting information to report on outcomes](#)

4 February 2016, Glasgow

[Using creative approaches to evaluate your project](#)

18 February 2016, Glasgow

[Telling my story - Analysing and reporting on outcomes](#)

8 March 2016, Glasgow

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Inspiring Impact Embedding Practice Group

Evaluation Support Scotland has recruited 10 third sector organisations who, over the course of the next few months, will meet four times to identify practical steps to embedding impact practice in their organisations, through facilitated discussions, and sharing experiences and learning with peers.

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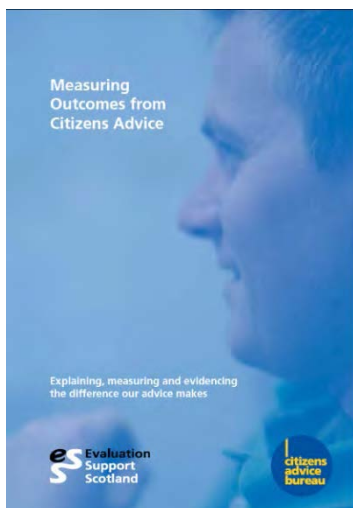
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New resources on our website

Resources, reports and new tools on our website:

- [Measuring Outcomes Citizens Advice](#)
- [The story of Support in the Right Direction](#) - what we learn from thematic programmes.
- [Involvement in a Thematic Programme](#) - a case study by Theodora Hidalgo, [Pilton Equalities Project](#), about being involved in A Stitch in Time?
- [What is good evidence?](#) - Steven Marwick, ESS



Director talks in this webinar about evidence standards in Scotland (Starts at 30 minutes).

- [The benefits of inclusive volunteering](#) - an evidence paper by Volunteer Scotland with the Scottish Third Sector Research Forum about volunteering for people with complex needs.
- [Evidence is Confidence: How to create a richer evidential tapestry](#) - an Evidence-Confidence Framework, a helpful tool for commissioners and funders to assess the strength and balance of different types of evidence for the replication of a service.
- [Measuring mental wellbeing in children and young people](#) - a guide written to inform public health commissioners includes how to use a variety of measures to quantify mental wellbeing and its key determinants.

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News for funders



This year ESS has set up a short-life learning set, [Walking the Talk](#), to explore how funders influence policy and practice in Scotland, and how to evaluate that influencing work. So far, the group has created a logic model for policy and practice influencing work and intend to create a resource for funders to be launched at our funder event on **16 June 2016** in Glasgow. **Save the date now!**

Responding to discussions about [Economic Evaluation](#) at our conference in May, and building on earlier work we are seeking the **views of funders**. If you haven't completed our survey and wish to do. Please contact [Jane Marryat](#) before **14 December**.

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the ESS team

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