HIV Implementation Science Methodology

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Implementation Research

 Studying the "use of strategies to adopt and integrate evidencebased health interventions and change practice patterns within specific settings"

- Understanding barriers to and facilitators of adoption and use of evidence-based health practices
- Strategies to support implementation and sustainability of evidencebased health practices.

Myth: Implementation Science uses very specialized study designs

Truth: Most study designs are used in other research areas



IS Study Designs

- Observational designs
- Experimental designs
- Quasi-experimental designs
- Mixed methods designs
- Modeling
- Hybrid designs*

*Particular to Implementation Science



Myth: Implementation Science is esoteric

Truth: Good observational and efficacy research naturally leads to implementation science questions.



Implementation Outcomes

- Acceptability ****
- Adoption **
- Appropriateness
- Feasibility
- Fidelity
- Implementation cost
- Penetration/Reach
- Sustainability/
 Maintenance

- Determinants (barriers/ facilitators)
- Implementation
- Process
- Scalability
- Speed
- System Effects



