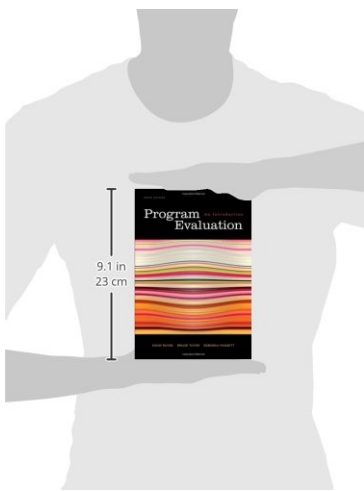


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Introduction. Program evaluation is an essential responsibility for anyone overseeing a medical education program. A "program"™ may be as small as an individual class session, a course, or a clerkship rotation in medical school or it may be as large as the whole of an educational program. The "program"™ might be situated in a medical school, during postgraduate training, or throughout continuing professional development. All such programs deserve a strong evaluation plan. Similar gains will apply when an education manager engages an external evaluator or is helping to evaluate someone else's™ program. People often think of program evaluation as looking to answer this question: "Does the program work? And how can it be improved? However, there are many equally important questions " Is the program worthwhile? " Are there alternatives that would be better? " Are there unintended consequences? " Are the program goals appropriate and useful?" Introduction In order to evaluate the performance of different algorithms for data segmentation data sets have to be used, where the correct" solution is known in advance. Since for real-world data sets the data generating process is not known, artificial data with a predefined structure have to be generated. " Program Evaluation " Software Evaluation. v Program an intervention being delivered/implemented for the purpose of changing some outcome or set of outcomes. o Intervention = organized set of activities to reach specific objectives. v Software = product/tool " (intervention) program. Introduction to program evaluation. 3. Research vs. evaluation.