

Outcomes based approaches and funding models

Brief summary of the topics discussed

- In this session Sangita Patel (Substance) and Juliana Outes-Velarde introduced the concept of outcomes-based funding and how it differs from more traditional funding approaches which can sometimes focus more heavily on outputs.
- Examples were given about why commissioners may look to adopt this model, whilst acknowledging that outcomes-based funding isn't the solution to all challenges.
- The example of the Life Chances programme in Oxford City was used as an example of a Social Impact Bond model, where commissioners pay for outcomes on the basis of those outcomes being achieved.

Emerging themes

- Funding for outcomes is a lower risk model which reduces some level of wastage of funds as the commissioner only pays on the basis of results being achieved.
- There needs to still remain an acknowledgement that the work to that point isn't carried out for free, and locally trusted organisations would not be able to cash flow the initial work that leads to the outcomes.





- The social impact bond model is quite rare and can be seen as complicated. However, it can achieve life changing results for participants.
- Funding for outcomes encourages collaboration as multiple agencies can work together and pool resources to achieve outcomes that fit their agenda.

Next steps

There was definite energy for a follow-on conversation and an acknowledgement that others, including TVP/Violence Reduction Unit, would add value to the conversation. Either through Oxfordshire on the Move or independently, a follow-on conversation is to be arranged, that will delve more deeply into the workings of the different models and an alignment of common outcomes.

To access the slides from the workshop, please click here: [Outcomes-Based Approach workshop slides](#).

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