

Questions For Board Members to consider when considering future programs and monitoring and evaluating programs.

Although monitoring programs is a responsibility of the Board of Directors, it is the staff's role and responsibility to lead and implement programs including making programmatic decisions. The Board of Directors must refrain from engaging in the day-to-day operations and decision-making.

Board members serving organizations with few staff or no staff may be more engaged in programs at the committee level.

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- What are the goals and objectives of the program? How critical is this program to the mission of our organization and its overall strategic direction?
 - What are the major outcomes we want to accomplish? What are key indicators of achieving these outcomes?
 - Is the program meeting goals and objectives? What is the data telling us?
 - What is the financial viability of the program? Do personnel have adequate resources (money, equipment, training, etc.) to achieve their goals? Do we have the talent we need to accomplish our goals? How do staff see the program?