

Author's response to reviews

Title: Moving Research into Practice: Lessons from the IDSRN Program

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Dear Brian:

Please find enclosed a revision of our manuscript “Moving Research Into Practice: Lessons from the IDSRN Program.” We have made fairly substantial revisions to the paper based on our email and telephone conversations with you as well as the feedback provided by the two reviewers. The highlights of our revisions include:

- explicit statement of the study’s two primary research questions
- reorganization of the paper (including revised headings and a slightly revised structure), such that subsections of the “Results” section correspond to the two research questions: operational impact and factors that facilitate and impede moving research to practice
- reorganization of the paper so that descriptive information on the IDSRN teams and team structure is presented in a section called “Overview of IDSRN Teams and Projects” rather than in the “Results” section
- clearer explanation of how we defined program success for this study (noting that we defined operational impact quite broadly given the evolving and somewhat vague goals of the program)
- more explanation surrounding the IDSRN portfolio of projects, and how they reflected funding, timing and AHRQ staff interest rather than programmatic considerations (per comments of Reviewer 1)
- more explanation of the structure of IDSRN and the task order mechanism (per comments of Reviewer 2)
- more concrete details and examples where possible (per Reviewers 1 and 2)

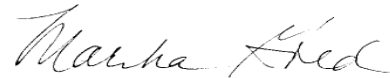
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In response to Reviewer 1's request that we provide more information from our analyses, we would be glad to make available to readers the final report we prepared as part of the IDSRN evaluation (and would give permission for the *Implementation Science* website to link to it). That report also includes the four detailed case studies. We cannot, however, provide interview transcripts for confidentiality reasons.

My apologies for the delay in getting this revision to you. As you know, the IDSRN study does not lend itself to the format of a clinical trial study. Nonetheless, we have worked hard on this revision and hope it meets with your expectations. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marsha Gold".

cc: Erin Fries Taylor