

DNP Topic Prioritization Worksheet

Directions: Use this worksheet to determine if your potential project idea is recognized as a priority within the practicum site.

1. Please check which of the following **most** applies to the process you used to identify your topic of interest:

The practice problem was identified by a primary decision maker within the practicum site

I identified the practice problem and asked the primary decision maker within the practicum site if he/she would allow me to work on it

During my meeting(s) with a primary decision maker at the practicum site, we identified a practice problem I could work on

2. On a scale of 1-5, with 1 being 'low' and 5 being 'high' in regard to your confidence, please answer the following questions.

My project aligns with the mission and vision of the practicum site.

1

2

3

4

5

Unsure

My project is seen as needed by the primary organizational decision maker(s).

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

I have support from within the organization in the form of an individual(s) who will serve as a champion(s) for my project.

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

My project will improve patient outcomes and/or nursing practice at the practicum site.

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

The practicum site has data to support the need for this practice-change to improve outcomes and/or nursing practice.

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

My project will improve the safety of patient/families and/or nursing and staff.

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

My project has the potential to address an economic burden for the practicum site (i.e. readmissions, retention of staff, etc.).

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure

My project is supported by current research or internal quality data in regard to the need for change.

1 2 3 4 5 Unsure