

Your Name:

Your IME Cool Idea Worksheet

1. The Cool Idea (25 words)

- a. Who (target audience):
- b. What (outcome objective):
- c. How (your intervention)
 - (1) Where - location for your intervention:
 - (2) When - Timeline for your intervention:
 - (3) How - The intervention stated very briefly:
- d. Write your 25 word cool idea here:

2. The Rationale (approximately 125 words)

Rationale/Need - 100-125 words (Three - four sentences)

- a. State how your idea addresses a national need (with citation):
- b. State the gap in learner performance (or patient outcomes) between current and ideal
- c. Described the need perceived by patients, faculty and/or learners
- d. Include a sentence that provides a rationale for your proposed intervention (or teaching method)

Methods - approximately 225 words (Four - five sentences)

- a. Who - describe in one sentence the subjects – special characteristics (age, medical problem, level of training) and number

- b. When and where - describe in one sentence across what time period and in what instructional or patient care setting your intervention will take place.

- c. What - describe in one to two sentences the content and key outcome objective. (Note: in an intervention targeted at residents this is sometimes included in the evaluation rather than here.)

- d. How - briefly describe the steps to be followed in implementation.

Evaluation - approximately 100 words - Two to Four sentences

- a. Accountability – did you do what was promised - describe what you would collect and how (sessions given, attendance, charts review, actions taken, etc.)

- b. Reaction – did the stakeholders like it? State how you would gather these data.

- c. Learning – what did the target group learn? State how you would gather these data.

- d. Behavior – what are the members of the target group doing differently due to the intervention? State how you would gather these data.

Impact - 25 words - one sentence

Describe in one sentence the impact that you hope your study/innovation will have on the education or patient care in your specialty or beyond.