

The MEL Design tool helps to guide decisions around what are the key data sources, what methods are the most efficient / suitable to capture data from these sources, and what approach we should consider in the next stage of proposal development.

In general, it is advisable to collect data from:

- ▶ Those who experience the change (e.g. target individual / groups or organizations / communities)
- ▶ Those who dropped out of the program/intervention
- ▶ Those who are the gatekeepers (e.g. powerholders, opinion-makers etc.)
- ▶ Those who mediate the change (e.g. service providers, project staff etc.)
- ▶ Those left behind (those individuals / groups or organizations/ communities, who fulfill criteria for selection, but for some reason haven't been selected)

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DATA SOURCES

Who should the project collect data from?

List **critical** people, groups, organizations, institutions, project staff or other sources of data

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DATA COLLECTION METHODS

What methods will be used to collect data?

List methods of data collection that suit the data sources listed above.

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MATCHING METHODS AND SOURCES

Match Data Sources and suitable Collection Methods

Please carefully consider the scope and time-frame of the project and prioritize 1-3 methods.

Data Collection Method	Data Source