



**NTACT**

National Technical Assistance Center on Transition

## Descriptors of Levels of Evidence

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<p><b>Evidence-based Practices</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on group experimental, single-case, and correlational research which:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ used rigorous research designs</li><li>○ demonstrated a strong record of success for improving outcomes</li><li>○ have undergone a systematic review process</li><li>○ adhered to quality indicators related to specific research design</li></ul></li></ul>
<p><b>Research-based Practices</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on group experimental, single-case, and correlational research which:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ used rigorous research designs</li><li>○ demonstrated a sufficient record of success for improving outcomes</li><li>○ may or may not have undergone a systematic review process</li><li>○ may or may not adhere to quality indicators related to specific research design</li></ul></li></ul>
<p><b>Promising Practices</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on group experimental, single-case, correlational, or qualitative research:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ demonstrate limited success for improving outcomes</li><li>○ may or may not have undergone a systematic review process</li><li>○ may or may not adhere to quality indicators related to specific research design</li></ul></li></ul>
<p><b>Unestablished Practices</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on anecdotal evidence or professional judgment</li><li>• Could include evidence from rigorous research studies which demonstrate <i>negative</i> effects</li></ul>