

What did we learn from funding nimble evaluations?

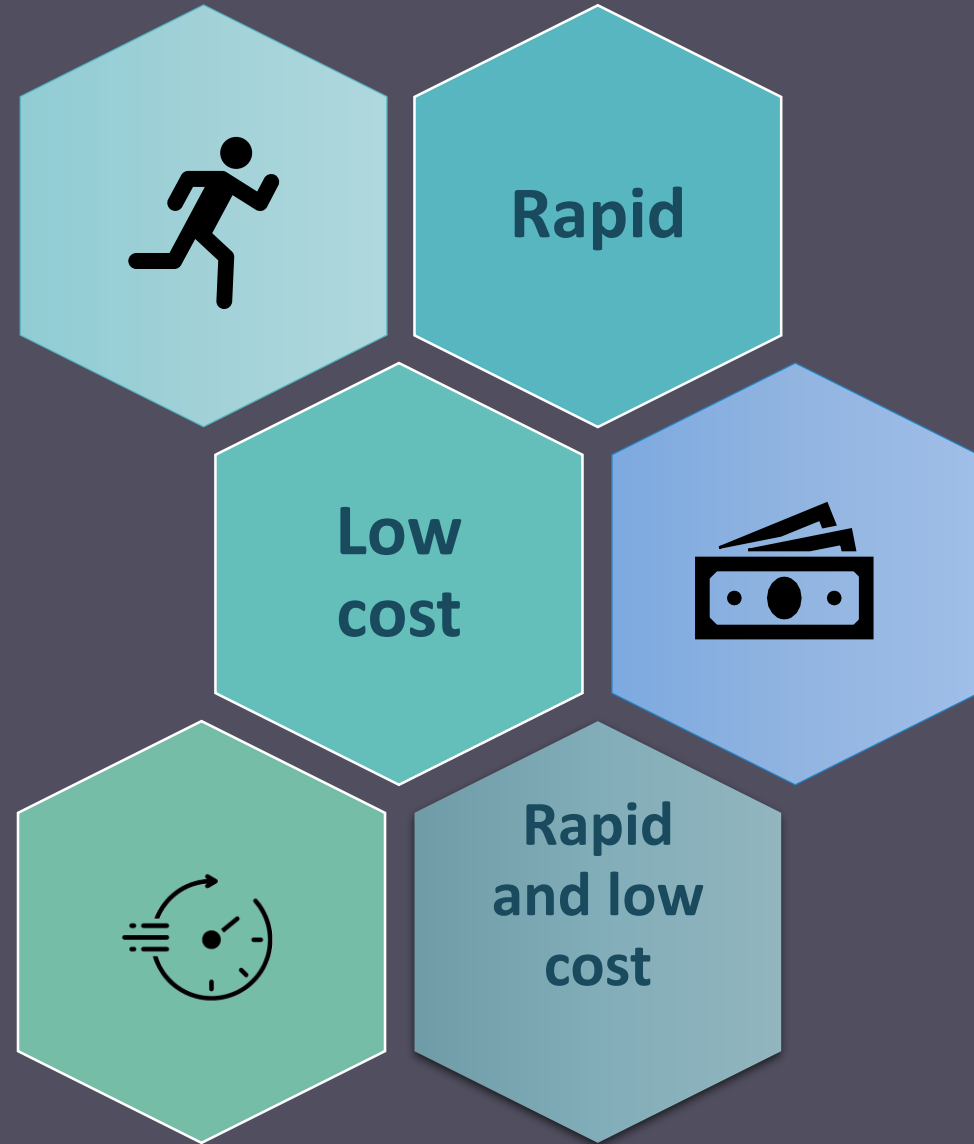


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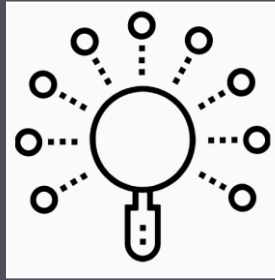


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What is nimble?



What are we trying to do?



Expand menu of types of evaluations

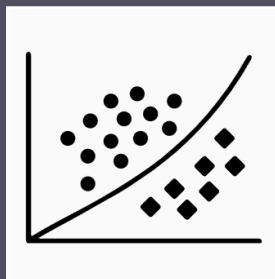
Evaluations need not last 5 years and cost \$1 million +

Build experimental evidence on implementation



Service delivery or quality is main outcome of interest

Should precede trial with impacts on final outcomes



Innovations in data capture

Administrative data

Project generated data

Nimble evaluations

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What cannot be made nimble?

National
emergencies

Procurement

Data privacy

Politics

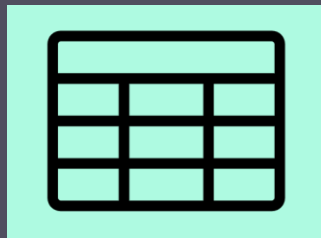
What promotes nimble-ness?

Researchers have established working relationship with government or implementer



Quick adaptability of research team

Familiarity with admin data or intervention generates data




Substantive collaboration between operational and research teams



 Earlier relationship

 Easy access to data

 Adaptability

 Collaboration, not permission

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