
Tools

Consensogram

Polling for Opinions

Background

A consensogram is a tool for polling a group for opinions. Each person's opinion counts equally. Group members can step back and look at the overall group more objectively.

When to Use

- When the group prior knowledge needs to be activated
- When self assessment is useful
- When data can be used to adjust lessons to better meet learner needs
- When training effectiveness evaluation is needed

How to Use

1. Provide colored dots for each participant (one dot for each outcome). Suggestion: Use green as a starting point.
2. Invite participants to consider their understanding/competency (on an establish scale).
3. Ask participants to walk to the chart on the wall and place a dot For each scale to indicate prior knowledge.
4. Use the results to guide presentation/lesson/activities.
5. Repeat the poll at the end of the session. Use different colored dots. Suggestion: Use red as a stopping point.
6. Discuss next steps for continued learning.

How Does It Look

I can coach others.					
I can teach it to others.					
I can use it in my work.					
I can explain it.					
I have heard about it.					

Systemic Approach to Reform
Planning, Implementation, Monitoring
for Reform
Functions, Processes, and Structures
for Reform
Alignment of Assessment, Curriculum,
and Instruction for Reform
Organization and Staff Development
to Drive Reform

Next Steps

After the pre-consensogram, adjust instruction to meet individual and group needs. After the post-consensogram, make plans to address individual and group needs.

