Complete this questionnaire to assess your organization’s readiness to apply for the Excellence in EBP and Outcomes Designation.

Answer each question with a simple "Y" for Yes or "N" for No. Score 1 point for each "Y," 0 points for an "N."

1. ___ EBP is clearly stated in your mission.
2. ___ Clinical inquiry is encouraged and supported in your organizational culture.
3. ___ EBP is integrated across multiple disciplines in your organization.
4. ___ Your organization utilizes effective tools to support EBP (frameworks, EBP or change models, toolkits, etc.).
5. ___ Your organization has infrastructures in place to support the implementation of EBP (i.e., EBP vision/strategic plan, clinical inquiry or EBP councils, an effective EBP model).
6. ___ Your organization's policies and procedures are based on the synthesis of the current best evidence.
7. ___ EBP competencies are integrated into your organizational structure(s) (i.e., clinical ladder, job descriptions, etc.).
8. ___ Your organization has a program to recognize EBP successes (initiatives, teams, and/or individual champions).
9. ___ Clinicians have access to PhD prepared scientist(s) who are proficient in EBP to assist in the generation of evidence when it does not exist.
10. ___ Clinicians have access to the librarian(s) who are proficient in EBP.
11. ___ Clinicians have 24-hour access to "point of care EBP resources" (i.e., electronic databases, EBSCO, UpToDate).
12. ___ Clinicians are provided protected time to learn and utilize EBP knowledge and skills and are empowered to implement changes.
13. ___ The training required and the role of the EBP mentor is clearly defined in your organization.
14. ___ Your organization has a critical mass of EBP mentors to lead and support EBP initiatives.
15. ___ A clearly defined EBP leader position (and job description) has been established in your organization.
16. ___ Leaders invest adequate financial and human resources to support EBP.
17. ___ Leaders are competent in evidence-based decision making and practice.
18. ___ Leaders in your organization incorporate evidence into their leadership decisions, role model EBP, and actively navigate barriers.

TOTAL SCORE: Add all statements receiving a "Y" ______ (maximum score is 18).

If your score is:
< 5: Call 911! Your organization needs an emergency EBP consultation.
5-9: You need an urgent EBP consultation.
10-14: Things are unsteady; an EBP tune-up is in order.
15-18: Your organization is EBP friendly, and you are ready to apply for the designation.