Not sure what designation to apply to? Fill out the minimum criteria checklist!

The checklist below lists the minimum criteria that a practice needs to meet for each level of our Practice Continuum. Complete the checklist to figure out which designation is the best fit for your practice. The criteria build upon each other, so to receive a higher designation you must first meet all of the criteria for the previous levels. Visit www.amchpinnovation.org or contact evidence@amchp.org to learn more.

Cutting-Edge Practice
- Describes the need your practice addresses and how you identified the need
- Describes how your practice addresses health inequities or systemic oppression that impact your key population
- Describes the practice’s stakeholders and why you partnered with them
- Explains how your practice benefits your key population
- Describes any initial successes indicating your practice is working as intended

Emerging Practice
- Describes the theoretical foundation used to guide practice development and implementation
- Describes how stakeholders were involved in decision-making throughout practice processes
- Explains the practice’s evaluation plan
- Explains how you plan to identify lessons learned that can be used to improve your practice

Promising Practice
- Presents evaluation data that shows the impact of the practice on your target population
- Describes how biases in the way the practice is implemented or evaluated may impact outcomes
- Describes both positive and negative unexpected outcomes and any changes made because of them
- Describes the practice’s continuous quality improvement efforts

Best Practice
- Provide evaluation data that demonstrate how your practice has addressed health inequities and/or systemic oppression that impact your key population
- Explains how you created structures for meaningful stakeholder participation in practice processes
- Demonstrates that your practice has been replicated in another location with similar successful results
- Demonstrates how your practice has been disseminated through avenues such as articles, toolkits, reports, and/or external evaluations