



Research Rubric

Dimension	Reviewer Input (1-5)
<b>Research Type</b>	
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<b>Expected Quality</b>	
<i>For all research types:</i> In light of prior evidence, will the study help resolve a pressing question for the field?	
<i>For all research types:</i> Is the research team highly qualified, including having performed a well-executed study of this type before?	
<i>For causal impact studies:</i> Does the project have a rigorous design and analytical methods, including a strong counterfactual, adequate statistical power, important outcome measures that are clearly specified, etc.?	
<b>Other Critical Information</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>	
<i>For Staff Only</i>	
<b>Pre-Registration Required (Y/N):</b>	

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**Overview:** The purpose of the Research Rubric is for AV's internal research experts to provide objective input around the overall **methodological rigor** of the research being proposed, whereas it is the responsibility of programmatic staff to explain in the Proposal Recommendation why the research is a **strategic fit** (e.g., aligned with a research agenda) and **policy relevant**.

**Instructions:** The Research Rubric must be completed by the Vice President of Research for all research projects, and a representative from the Evidence-Based Policy team must complete the Research Rubric for any randomized controlled trial. Reviewers should use the Other Critical Information section to include additional input based on any specialized criteria.