

# Probation Officers and EBPs Podcast

Based on 239 responses to an online survey sent to probation staff in 12 offices in a mid-Atlantic state.

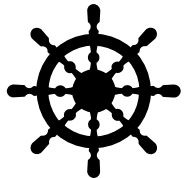


Probation staff with *fewer caseloads* were more likely to have *positive attitudes toward EBPs*.



Officers with *positive attitudes about the agency* resulted in *positive attitudes about EBPs*.

Staff with *positive attitudes toward EBPs* are more likely to *use case planning practices* with probationers.



*Leadership is very important* in supporting the implementation of EBPs.

## TAKE-AWAYS

- ✓ Probation officers must find EBPs valuable before they may be expected to use them.
- ✓ Trainings on EBPs should include both street-level officers and supervisors.
- ✓ Agency leadership must foster a positive agency culture about change.

**Source:** Viglione, J., & Blasko, B. L. (2018). The differential impacts of probation staff attitudes on use of evidence-based practices. *Psychology, Public Policy, and Law*, 24(4), 449.