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# Role of Data Quality in an Impact Evaluation

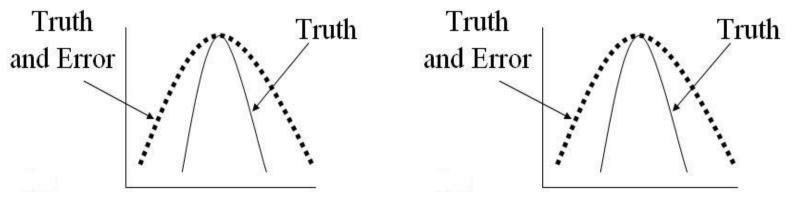
- What's Different in an Impact Evaluation
- Key Role of Data Quality
- Fighting Attrition
- What MCA-J and DoS Are Doing to Insure Quality

# What's Different in an Impact Evaluation

- Goal: Maximize Statistical Power
  - The ability to detect the difference between treatment and control.
- What Reduces Statistical Power
  - Poor Data Quality
  - Low Sample Size

### Key Role of Data Quality

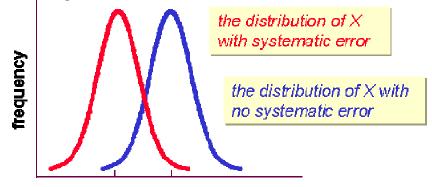
Random Measurement Error



Control

Treatment

Systematic Measurement Error



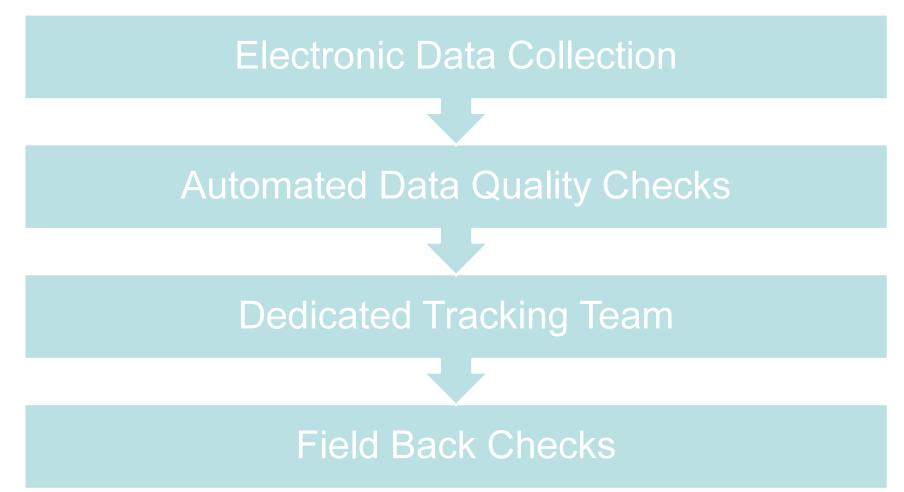
Treatment: 4 - wrong Control: 6

\*\*\* Measure of impact would be inaccurate\*\*\*

# **Fighting Attrition**

- Most impact evaluations survey the same people at the beginning, middle, and end of the project.
- Lose Too Many People  $\rightarrow$  Lose Power
- Lose More in Control than Treatment → Wrong Estimate of Impact

# DoS & MCA-J Data Quality Protocols



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