Feminist Evaluation

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Feminist evaluation, like other evaluation approaches, is concerned with measuring the effectiveness of programs, judging merit or worth, and examining both formative and summative data to promote change. The difference between feminist approaches and other evaluation models lies in the attention paid to gender issues, the needs of women, and the promotion of change. Feminist evaluation approaches are specifically interested in promoting social justice, particularly for women, but not only for women. Attention is also paid to race, class, and sexual orientation. As a result of this concern for women and other oppressed groups, the methods used in a feminist approach are usually collaborative and inclusive and have an action orientation. Feminist evaluation is a natural outgrowth of the influence of the feminist movement, feminist theory, and feminist research on the evaluation field.

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