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Step 2 - Provide evidence to validate professional practice gap

Describe why there is a problem and you know it can be resolved. Stating there is a 'need' or a 'request' is not an adequate statement.

Step 3: Educational need causing the professional practice gap

The underlying educational need must align with the professional practice gap, learning outcome, evaluation method and content. For example - knowledge or skills.

Step 4: Write learning outcome

The learning outcome is a measurable statement of what the learner will know, show, or apply to practice at the end of the activity.

Step 5: Describe evaluation method

Describe what data will be collected to determine whether the learner achieved the desired learning outcome.