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The National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education states that number one expressed need from educators, practitioners, and researchers regarding interprofessional education (IPE) is about measuring IPE and its effectiveness. Unfortunately, there is no simple solution to assessing IPE since every setting has unique measurement needs and, even within a setting, these needs may change at different times with different groups for different purposes. While this presentation will not recommend which IPE outcomes to measure or which tools to use, it will provide guidance on what to look for when selecting an assessment instrument and will provide foundational information and tips for practical application of IPE assessment. Those interested in measurement of IPE should find this presentation helpful as a first step to lay a solid foundation for research and clinical endeavors.