

COMMUNICATION & COLLABORATION



The Toolbox Dialogue Initiative (TDI) workshop is an interactive, dialogue-based group experience. Workshops are intended for cross-disciplinary teams and those seeking to form new collaborations to address complex research topics. A recent survey highlights how former participants feel about communication and collaboration.

WHAT HAVE PAST PARTICIPANTS SAID AFTER A WORKSHOP?



I am more convinced that research is about mutual understanding...



I have more confidence to talk about research and collaborate with researchers in fields outside of [my own].



This has helped me understand and communicate with researchers on collaborative projects.



I have since developed an interest in collaborative problem formulation.

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All information derived from the 2017 Evaluation Report on the MSU Toolbox Dialogue Initiative. Kalamazoo, MI: WMU.

GROWTH DURING... THE DIALOGUE SESSION

Strongly Agree Agree

Our conversation was an open exchange of thoughts and ideas

38% 51%

The prompts were effective conversation starters

34% 56%

It helped build a sense of community among my group

18% 57%

It improved my attitude toward team communication

15% 51%

It helped to enhance collaboration among my group members

13% 51%

THE CO-CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Improved collaboration in my group

32% 32%

Improved communication in my group

30% 43%

AND AFTER THE TOOLBOX

I now feel more capable of collaborating with individuals from different fields

15% 62%

I am better able to identify the research worldviews that are expressed by other people

14% 61%

I now have a better idea about how to communicate with individuals from different fields or disciplines

9% 61%