This checklist assesses how well a policy is being implemented in an organisation (Questions C1–4 and E1–4). The checklist also records information on moderators of implementation to help explain the level of implementation achieved (Questions D1–9). Section F collates the data from sections B–E. This is a tool for anyone who wants to evaluate the fidelity with which a written policy has been implemented (this could be academic researchers, HR managers or staff, line managers or employees).

A. What is the source of the following information about the policy?

Policy document	Company records	
Interviews with / questionnaires to single HR manager	OR several HR staff	
Interviews with / questionnaires to line manager(s)	OR employees	

POLICY

B. Do you have a written policy on

If so, fill in a separate list for each practice relating to that policy (eg. different types of appraisal, training, payment systems)

PRACTICE

C. What is the practice?

1. According to this written policy, how often should the practice take place?

2. According to this policy, who should be covered by this practice?

All staff	Some staff	Don't know

If some staff, who are they?

3. According to this policy, what are the various elements of this practice? (eg. appraisal: to be by line manager; to be 1 hour; to offer employee opportunity for feedback)

4. Which of these elements of this practice are 'core', that is, are considered essential to the practice having its desired effect?

4.a. How have the 'core' elements of the practice been decided?

D. What strategies exist(ed) to facilitate implementation of the policy?

1. Who is responsible for delivering the practice?

HR staff	Line managers	Other

2. Did the people responsible for delivering the practice receive any training?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

2.a. If there was training, who delivered the training? (eg. HR professionals)

3. Were guidelines or a manual provided for people responsible for delivering the practice?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

4. Were the people affected by the practice involved in its development or their opinion asked about the practice?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

 ${\bf 5.}$ Was the quality of delivery by people responsible for delivering the practice monitored?

(eg. feedback, performance monitoring)

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

 ${\bf 6.}$ Was there any ongoing support provided to the people responsible for delivering the practice?

(eg. support services, helplines, technical help)

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

7. Did the practice require any new facilities or materials, and if so, were they made available?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

Are any strategies in place to sustain full implementation over time?

8. Is there formal training for new members of staff responsible for delivering the practice?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

If there is training, who delivers the training? (eg. HR professionals)

9. Are guidelines or a manual provided for new members of staff responsible for delivering the practice?

Yes	No	Don't know

Details

E. Is the policy being implemented as planned or intended?

This needs to be assessed by a combination of independent observation of staff or company records and data collection from managers and employees. The benchmark for the answers to these questions is provided by the answers to Questions C1-4.

1. What is the source of the following information about implementation?

Independent observation by researchers	Company records	
Interviews with / questionnaires to HR staff by researchers	By HR staff	
Interviews with / questionnaires to line managers by researchers	By HR staff	
Interviews with / questionnaires to employees by researchers	By HR staff	

2. Is the practice implemented as often as required?

Always	Most of the time	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Don't know

3. Are all eligible employees covered by the practice?

Yes	No	Don't know	

If No, how many / what percentage are actually covered by the practice?

If a practice is only called upon irregularly, how many eligible employees have called on the practice when they wished or were required to do so? (eg. parental leave, working from home)

4. Are the other elements of the practice, as described in Question C3, being implemented?

1	Yes	No	
2	Yes	No	
3	Yes	No	
4	Yes	No	
5	Yes	No	

5. Have the designated 'essential' elements of the practice been implemented?

1	Yes	No	
2	Yes	No	
2	Yes	No	

F. Results

1. Is the policy being implemented as intended?

l	Fully	Mostly	Only in part	Not at all	Cannot tell

2. How many measures has the organisation taken to facilitate implementation?

Very many	Quite a lot	Some	Very few	None	Don't know

3. Can the number of facilitation strategies help to explain the level of implementation?

Yes	No	Cannot tell

4. Does the quality of delivery help to explain the level of implementation?

Yes	No	Cannot tell	

5. Does participant responsiveness help to explain the level of implementation?

Yes	No	Cannot tell	