Pharm 543 Laws & Ethics: Project Outcomes

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Note: this section summarizes the fifth path in Bardach’s A Practical Guide to Policy Analysis, 2nd Edition.

For each of the “alternatives” described in an earlier exercise, consider the outcomes or impacts that may result if that alternative was completely implemented. Provide at least a qualitative description; if you can quantify your outcomes, so much the better.

Provide 2-3 sentences for each alternative.

Some considerations:

1. Do some “what if” evaluations, contrasting “worst-possible” (the Murphy’s Law thing where everything that can go wrong does), “best possible” and “get real” (a realistic assessment of what will likely be fully, partially or never implemented).

2. Do some magnitude estimates. It is probably better to indicate that “plan A will reduce the number of <fill in something awful> by 20-30%” than to indicate that “plan A is much more desirable <or safe, or spiffy, whatever>”. The good policy analyst will provide a range rather than a “point estimate” because s/he almost never has the information necessary to provide accurate point estimates for future occurrences.

3. Are there undesirable side-effects to your alternatives? Can they be mitigated? Could you change something so that the some side-effect is reduced by half, or to a unobjectionable level?