The Evolving Document: using Google Docs as both formative and summative assessment.

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Plan for Presentation

• Context

• Examples of Assessment

• Conclusions
Context

• Programme Leader of PG Cert in Academic Practice

• Staff need to collect evidence towards fulfilling HEA Fellowship requirements
Design of Assessment

• Staff must be able to provide evidence of their fulfilment of the UKPSF dimensions of practice.

• This is done via completion of the UKPSF Evidence Form.
Why use Google Docs?

• I wanted to use a platform outside our VLE.
• I was inspired by a CPD panel last year in which I saw four people simultaneously edit a Google Doc.
• I wanted to get my participants to be able to not only interact with me, but also their fellow colleagues in offering advice on the completion of these forms.
• I first tried this out using an online blog.
Examples of forms

- Example 1 of Form
- Example 2 of Form
- Example 3 of Form
Issues

• Participants were worried about their lack of familiarity with Google Docs
• I had trouble setting the correct sharing permissions for Google Docs
• Participant feedback was not as forthcoming as I had hoped!
• Lack of integration with our VLE
Way forward

• We are getting a new VLE so I will be exploring whether I can use its new functionality to replicate what I have with Google Docs.

• I may still use Google Docs but set more “checkpoints” to monitor its usage.
References