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This revision of the manuscript, “Toward a Policy Ecology of Implementation of Evidence-Based Practices in Public Mental Health Settings,” has greatly improved the clarity and focus of the paper. The paper provides an important and compelling set of arguments targeted towards policy-makers for redirecting organizational, regulatory, political and social policies to better support implementation of EBP. The paper offers refreshing new ways of thinking about the often convoluted issues in moving EBP into macro-level systems. For example, suggestions for re-engineering CEU credits to incentivize EBP training, structuring contracts to ensure adequate safeguards for EBP implementation, and eliminating structural stigma are described, and specific recommendations offered. The authors have thoroughly addressed all of the salient recommendations from the previous reviewers.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.