The evaluation of the education field has presented a new perspective on how advances and problems associated with each can arise. Key topics include:  

- The significance of educational development (1955-1960)  
- The impact of educational research (1960-1965)  
- The role of professional education (1970-1975)  
- The recent focus on educational evaluation (1980-1985)  
- The need for reform in educational evaluation (as of 2010)

Over the past hundred years, these topics have been discussed in the course of program evaluation methods and have been approached from various perspectives. The past two hundred years have included significant advancements in the evaluation field, focusing on the importance of understanding the historical and conceptual developments in evaluation. Understanding the historical perspective is crucial to the current state of evaluations.

**Historical Perspective**

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**Problems and Possibilities**

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needs of consumers. According to this view, evaluation is compared to the purchase of a product, and the core of the consumer is the comparison of the evaluation to the product. The goal of the evaluation is to determine the quality of the product in relation to other products available. Evaluation is thus seen as an activity that helps consumers make informed decisions.

The evaluation of evaluations is a complex and difficult task, and the results of evaluations can have significant implications for the decisions made by consumers. It is therefore important for evaluation to be conducted in a systematic and objective manner to ensure that the results are reliable and valid.

Consumer Evaluation:

In recent years, consumer evaluation has become an increasingly important area of research. Studies have shown that consumers are increasingly evaluating products and services based on factors such as price, quality, and convenience. This has led to a greater demand for evaluations of evaluations, as consumers seek to make informed decisions about the products and services they purchase.

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11 Objective reporting (Gallefoss, 1992, pp. 47-48).
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STUDY QUESTIONS

1. In the context of the second edition of the text, critically analyze the impact of the therapeutic profession on society.

2. What are the primary objectives and limitations of therapeutic evaluation in educational settings?

3. How can evaluation processes and models, such as the Core Curriculum model, be applied effectively in the field of education?

4. Identify the key components and elements of effective evaluation strategies in therapeutic education.

5. Explain the importance of evidence-based practice in therapeutic evaluation and its implications for educational outcomes.

6. Evaluate the role of professional development in enhancing the efficacy of therapeutic evaluation processes.
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