

Knowledge Translation Methods and Tools to Support Evidence-informed practice

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Objectives

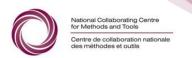
- 1. Introduce the NCCMT
- 2. Introduce 7 step process of evidence-informed practice (EIP)
- 3. Describe resources to support EIP



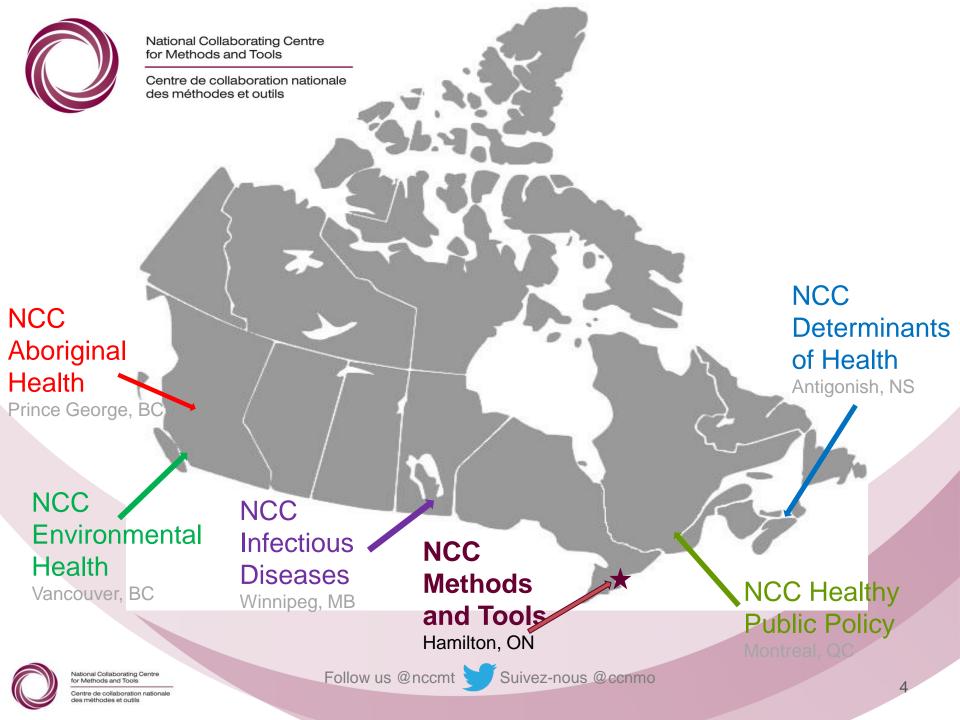
EIP self-assessment

My knowledge of EIP is:

- 1) Very proficient (I can teach others)
- 2) Good (I can obtain good evidence with little support)
- Fair (I can get started but need support along the way)
- 4) Poor (I need help to even get started)
- 5) What is EIP?







NCCMT's Mission

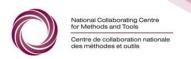
- Enhance evidence-informed public health in practice, programs and policy in Canada
- Provide leadership and expertise in supporting the uptake of what works in public health



Why is EIP important

In your opinion, what is the most important reason to use research evidence in practice?

- 1) To better evaluate program outcomes
- 2) To inform program/intervention development
- 3) To support efforts and secure funding
- To include researchers in the public health network
- 5) Don't know

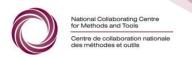




Barriers to EIP

What is the 2nd greatest barrier to EIP for you (TIME is always #1)?

- 1) Lack of skills in EIPH
- 2) Lack of access to research
- 3) Not valued in our work culture
- 4) Political pressures overwhelm research evidence





Decision making models

Opinion-based

Evidence-based

Ask question



Make Decision



Find Evidence

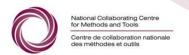
Ask question



Find Evidence



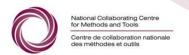
Make Decision





What is Evidence-Informed Public Health?

The process of distilling and disseminating the best available evidence from research, context and experience, and using that evidence to inform and improve public health practice, programs and policy.





A Model for Evidence-Informed Decision Making in Public Health

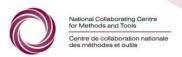
Community health issues, local context

Community and political preferences and actions

Public health expertise

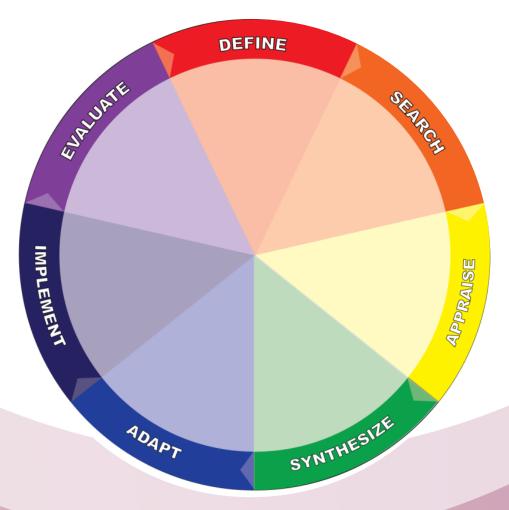
Research evidence

Public health resources



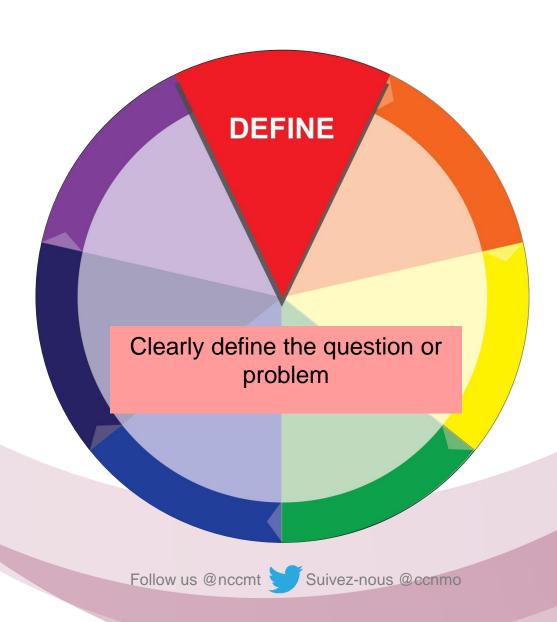


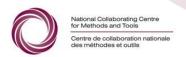
Steps in the process of Evidence-Informed Public Health











Define

- Identify type of question (effectiveness, causation/association, diagnosis, lived experience, economic)
- Depending on type of question use:
 - PICO
 - PECO
 - PS
 - Progress Plus (determinants of health framing)



Define - Supporting Tools

Health Evidence™ tool for developing a question

 PICO Search Terms Table: For Searchable Quantitative Research Questions

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	Population	Intervention or Exposure	Comparison	Outcomes
From clinical question	Describe the population that you come into contact with and are relevant to your practice. This could include: General population Specific community types (e.g., rural or urban-dwelling) Other population-based descriptors such as: Age (e.g., youth / adolescent, seniors/elderly) SES (e.g. low-income, homeless) Risk status (high risk, at risk, MSM, IDU)	Intervention refers to the therapy, test, organizational / systems strategies that we want to find out more about. This can be about environmental factors, health services, counseling, or screening (diagnostic tests). Exposure refers to the population's exposure to a risk factor, disease, condition or harm.	The comparison can be standard or routine interventions, an alternative treatment or exposure, or no treatment.	Make a distinction between the outcome which is relevant to your population of interest or the issue/problem and the outcome measures deployed in studies. Spend some time working out exactly what outcome is important to you, your population, and the time-frame which is appropriate.
Synonyms or other key words or phrases				
MeSH headings "Consult each specific database's thesaurus for specific terms used (e.g. in MEDLINE those terms are MeSH headings, other databases use other terms)				

 P.S. Search Terms Table: For Searchable Qualitative Research Questions

	Population	Situation
From clinical question	Describe the population that you come into contact with and are relevant to your practice. This could include: General population Specific community types (e.g., rural or urban-dwelling) Other population-based descriptors such as: Age (e.g., youth/adolescent, seniors/elderly) SES (e.g., low-income, homeless) Risk status (high risk, at risk, MSM, IDU)	This refers to the phenomenon or situation we want to find out more about, such as: - Circumstances - Conditions - Experiences
Synonyms or other key words or phrases		
MeSH headings *Consult each specific database's thesaurus for specific terms used (e.g. in MEDLINE these terms are MESH headings, other databases use other terms)		

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Supporting Tools

Using an equity perspective



PROGRESS-Plus

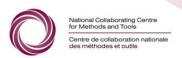
- CONSORT-equity
- Evidence for Equity
 - E4E series
 - PROGRESS-Plus
- PRISMA-E 2012
- Home-Based Records
- Sex/Gender Cochrane Corner
- Youth Refugees

PROGRESS-Plus is an acronym used to identify characteristics that stratify health opportunities and outcomes.

- · PROGRESS refers to:
 - Place of residence
 - Race/ethnicity/culture/language
 - Occupation
 - Gender/sex
 - Religion
 - F Education
 - **Grant Socioeconomic status**
 - Social capital
- Plus refers to
 - 1) personal characteristics associated with discrimination (e.g. age, disability)
 - 2) features of relationships (e.g. smoking parents, excluded from school
 - 3) time-dependent relationships (e.g. leaving the hospital, respite care, other instances where a person may be temporarily at a disadvantage)

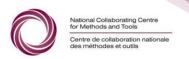






Search and Relevance

- Develop efficient and effective search strategy
- Follow 6S Pyramid
- Document search results
- Save search strategies
- Download results to reference management software
- Develop inclusion criteria
- Note reasons for exclusion





Search - Supporting Tools

6S Pyramid

Evidence-Informed Public Health

DEFINE SEARCH

APPRAISE

SYNTHESIZE

ADAPT

IMPLEMENT

EVALUATE

Search: Efficiently search for research evidence

A clearly defined question or problem is the starting point for an effective literature search. This step of the EIPH process helps you answer the question:

"Where should I look to find the best available research evidence to address the issue?"

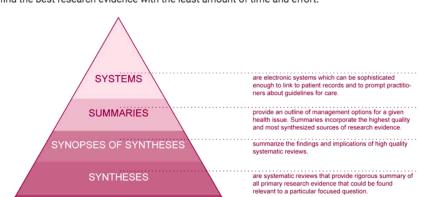
Your search strategy should aim to locate the strongest quality and most relevant evidence first. When searching for quantitative evidence (e.g., effectiveness of an intervention, health effects, cost effectiveness, etc.) some study designs are considered stronger than others. It is important that the research design is the most appropriate to answer the question being asked.

For more information about different types of questions relevant to public health and related research designs you can refer to:

- · Quantitative Research Questions and Study Designs
- Compendium of Critical Appraisal Tools

Using the 6S pyramid can help public health decision makers find the best research evidence with the least amount of time and effort.



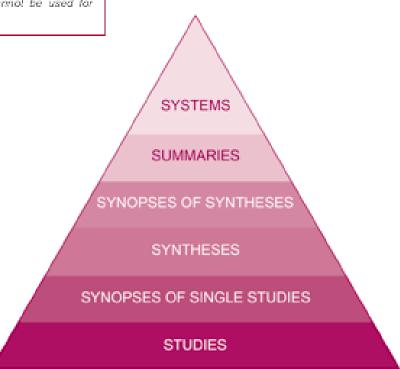




Search - Supporting Tools

Levels of Evidence Tool

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Search - Supporting Tools

Tracking Search Results Tool

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Date Search Conducted:

Question Searched:

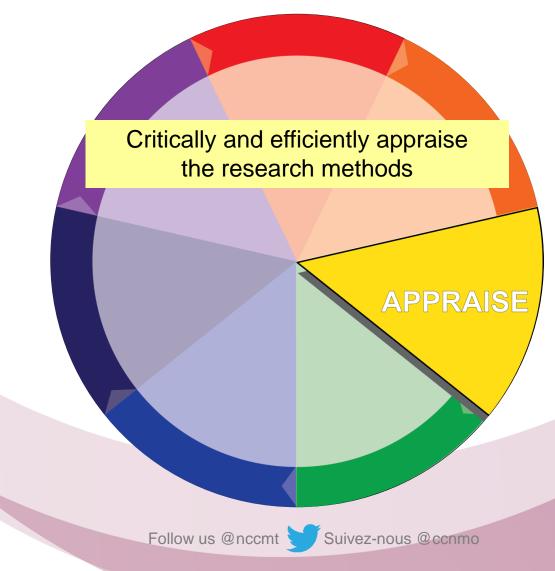
- Insert the question that you are conducting this search to answer.
- Remember PICO: Population, Intervention, Comparison, Outcome(s)
 - → See Developing an Efficient Search Strategy Using PICO

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I:			
C:			
0:			

Level of the 6S Pyramid	Publicly Available YES / NO	Critical Appraisal Required YES / NO						Total No. Results (through search)	Link to Saved Search Strategy & Results (insert here)
SUMMARIES Evidence-Based Texts	ОМ	NO	Clinical Evidence http://www.clinicalevidence.com	Dynamed http://www.ebscohost.co m/dynamed	StatiRef Pier http://pier.acponli g/index.html	ine.or	UpToDate, http://www.uptodate.com		
	YES	NO	Guideline Advisory Committee (GAC) http://www.gacguidelines.cafindex.cfm?pag Note: only archive accessible	p://www.gacguidelines.ca/index.cfm?pagepath=GAC_Endorsed_Guidelines&id=21080					
SUMMARIES Guidelines	YES	YES	National Guidelines Clearinghouse (NGC) http://guideline.gov Note: includes guidelines from the following organizations • National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) Public Health Guidance http://www.tripdatabase.com Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Laming Research into Practice (TRIP) Database http://www.tripdatabase.com Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Laming Research into Practice (TRIP) Database http://www.tripdatabase.com Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Laming Research into Practice (TRIP) Database http://www.tripdatabase.com Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Laming Research into Practice (TRIP) Database http://www.tripdatabase.com Note: filter search by "Guidelines" Canadian Medical Association (CMA Infobase) http://www.cma.ca/index.cfm/ci_id/54316/la_id/1.htm • Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)						



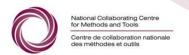






Critical Appraisal

- Identify level of evidence (guideline, systematic review, single study)
- Choose appropriate appraisal tool for level of evidence
- Complete tutorials/online modules if needed
- 2 raters independently rate each article/ compare results and come to consensus





Critical Appraisal - Supporting Tools

Practice Guidelines: AGREE II Tool



Critical Appraisal - Supporting Tools

Systematic Reviews: Health EvidenceTM Tool

CRITERIA			N
Q1. Did the authors have a clea	rly focused question [population, intervention (strategy), and outcome(s)]?		
Q2. Were appropriate inclusion	criteria used to select primary studies?		
Q3. Did the authors describe a s	search strategy that was comprehensive?		
Circle all strategies used:	 health databases psychological databases social science databases educational databases other handsearching key informants reference lists unpublished 		
Q4. Did search strategy cover an adequate number of years?			
■ Level I → RCTs or	domized, cohort, case-control		
Q6. Did the review assess the n	nethodological quality of the primary studies, including:		
(Minimum requirement: 4/7 of Research design Study sample Participation rates Sources of bias (confo	unders, respondent bias)		

Supporting Tools

Single Studies: Collection of CASP Tools

CASP CHECKLISTS

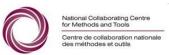
This set of eight critical appraisal tools are designed to be used when reading research, these include tools for Systematic Reviews, Randomised Controlled Trials, Cohort Studies, Case Control Studies, Economic Evaluations, Diagnostic Studies, Qualitative studies and Clinical Prediction Rule.

These are free to download and can be used by anyone under the Creative Commons License.

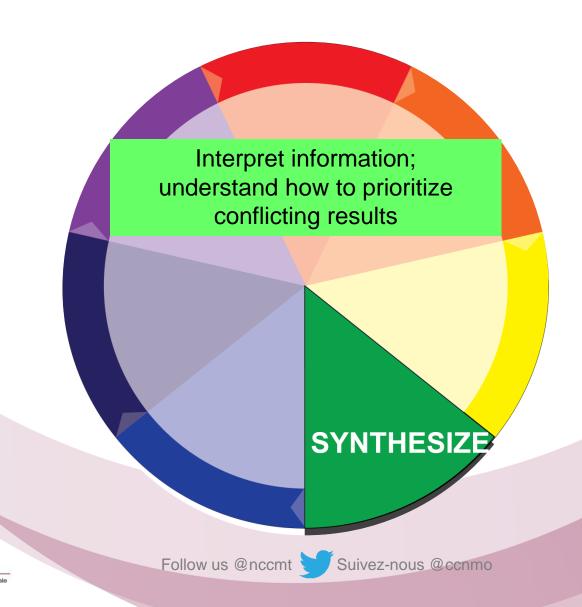
CASP Checklists (click to download)



CASP Systematic Review Checklist	CASP Qualitative Checklist
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CASP Diagnostic Checklist	CASP Cohort Study Checklist
CASP Economic Evaluation Checklist	CASP Clinical Prediction Rule Checklist







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Briefing Note: Decisions, Rationale and Key Findings Summary

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Insert briefing note number or other identifie	er e		Evidence and Peel Health are acknowledged for too development; and adapted tool cannot be used for
Issue:			profit (not to be sold).
☐ Explain in one or two lines why the brid	efing note matters	to th	e reader.
□ Sets out, in the form of a question or s	tatement, what th	e resi	of the note is about.
Background:			
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reader needs in order to understand w	that follows		
How a situation arose			Current Status section.
 Previous decisions/problems 			
 Actions leading up to the current sit 	tuation		
Current Status:			
 Describes only the current situation, w situation, etc. 	ho is involved, wh	nat is	happening now, the current state of the matter, issue,
□ What are we currently doing on this to	pic?		
Key Considerations			
needs to be considered now. While yo should be as unbiased as possible. You	ou will have to de ir aim is to present	ecide t all th	tots, considerations, developments—everything that what to include and what to leave out, this section he details required for the reader to be informed or to nost in your mind when selecting and presenting the

The Evidence:

□ Research evidence

- Indicate results of literature search conducted based on 6-step pyramid in <u>Levels & Sources of</u> <u>Public Health Evidence</u>. See <u>Evidence-Informed</u> <u>Decision Making (EIDM) Checklist</u>
 - What do we know from the evidence?
 - What works to address the issue?
 - What does not work?
 - What factors are associated (e.g. barriers and facilitators)?
 - → What don't we know?

Colloquial evidence

- Environmental scan evidence (evidence from other health units)
 - → What are other health units doing?
 - → Results of outcome and/or process evaluations
 - → Expertise, views and realities of stakeholders
 - → Partner or other in-kind resources
- □ Expert (practice/research) consultation evidence
- □ Political evidence
 - Public attitudes towards proposed policies, media
 reaction.



Synthesize - Supporting Tools

Finding and assessing evidence

Find relevant systematic reviews



Decide how much confidence to place in relevant reviews



Assess the applicability of the findings of reviews that are reasonably reliable



Consider potential impacts for disadvantaged groups or settings. Also consider strategies to ensure that inequities are not increased and that they are reduced if possible Consider which groups or settings are likely to be disadvantaged by the option under consideration

Look for evidence of differences in baseline conditions across groups or settings that would result in differences in the absolute effectiveness of the option for disadvantaged groups or settings

Look for evidence of differences in access to – or the quality of care for – disadvantaged groups or settings

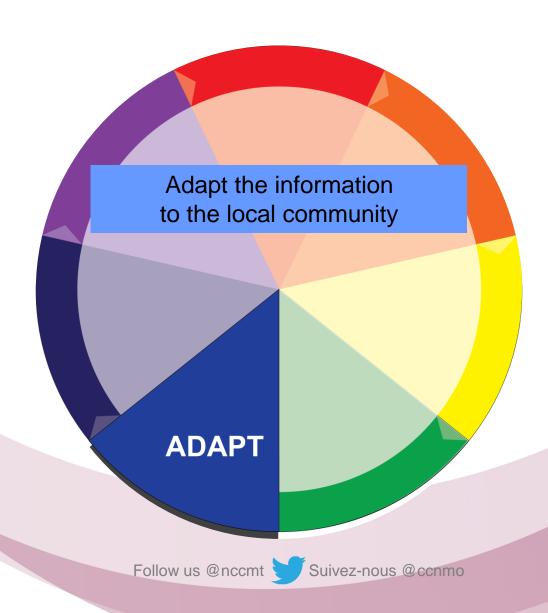
Consider the implications of these differences for implementing the option to ensure that inequities are reduced if possible, and that they are not increased

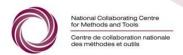
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It worked there. Will it work here? a tool for assessing Applicability and Transferability of Evidence

A: When considering starting a new program

Purpose and target audience

To help public health managers and planners use evidence to choose appropriate programs for their community.

Where does this fit?

This tool helps you with the fifth step in the evidence-informed public health process: Adapt the information to a local context.

You may have found evidence about an intervention that worked, but can you apply that evidence to your situation? Do you need to adapt the intervention for your population? ... your community? ... your team?

This tool gives you a process and criteria to assess the applicability (feasibility) and transferability (generalizability) of evidence to public health practice and policy.

How to use this tool

At this stage, you will have already completed the first four steps in the evidence-informed public health process. You have defined your question (step 1), found (step 2) and appraised (step 3) the research evidence relevant to your question. You have also formed some recommendations based on the evidence that you found (step 4). (See www.nccmt.ca/eiph for more information.)These are all necessary steps, but you are not yet ready to decide whether to introduce, continue, or end a program or intervention in your local community.

- 1. Decide who will be involved in the decision. Consider including partners from other sectors, disciplines and client groups. (The remaining steps are done in collaboration with this entire group.)
- 2. Orient group members to the process; establish time lines.
- 3. From the following list of criteria, choose the most important applicability and transferability assessment questions for the intervention of interest and the local context. Are these criteria equally important or should they be weighted differently? If so, choose what weights to assign. Not all criteria are relevant all the time. The group may decide that some criteria are more important than others at a particular time period and in a particular community.
- 4. Decide how final scoring will be done: Will you discuss each criterion to achieve consensus or add ratings from all group members? In that case, you would individually rate the importance/relevance of each question on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is low and 5 is high. Priority would then go to the highest scoring program.
- 5. Be sure to document the scoring process used.

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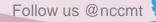
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Assessment of Applicability & Transferability

Construct	Things to consider	Questions to Ask
Applicability	Political acceptability or influence	Will the intervention be allowed or supported in the current political climate?
(feasibility)		Is there a potential public relations benefit for local government?
Can the intervention we found work for		Will the public and target groups accept and support the intervention in its current format?
us?		Is this intervention allowed/expected or required by local or provincial legislation /bylaws?
	Social acceptability	Will my target population be interested in the intervention?
		• Is the intervention ethical?
	Available essential resources (human	Who / what is essential for the local implementation?
	and financial)	Who will do the work? Are these people available (or are they too busy with other projects)? Do they know how? If not, is training available (and affordable)?
		How much will the intervention cost? Can we afford to deliver the program (or is our budget already committed to other projects)?
		How do we need to change the intervention to suit our local situation?
		What are the full costs (include supplies, systems, space requirements for staff, training, technology/administrative supports, etc.)? How much will this intervention cost per unit of expected outcome? (total cost divided by number of people we expect to help)
		Are there any other incremental health benefits to consider that could offset the costs of the intervention?
	Organizational expertise and capacity	Does the intervention fit into the organization's current strategic and operational plans?
		Does the intervention fit with the organization's mission and local priorities?
		Does the intervention overlap, or will it compliment, existing programs?
		Will this program enhance the reputation of the organization?
		 What barriers/structural issues or approval processes within the organization need to be addressed?
		Is the organization motivated and open to new ideas? Is it a learning organization?
Transferability	Magnitude of health issue in local	Does the need exist?
(generalizability) Can we expect similar results?	setting	How many people in my local population does this issue affect now? (i.e., what is our baseline prevalence?) How does this compare to the prevalence of the issue (risk status) described in the intervention we are considering?
	Magnitude of the "reach" and cost ef- fectiveness of the intervention	Will the intervention effectively reach a large proportion of the target population?
	Characteristics of target population	Is the local population comparable to the study population? Will any differences in characteristics (ethnicity, socio-demographic variables, number of persons affected) influence the effectiveness of the intervention locally?

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Adapt - Supporting Tools

From an equity perspective

Knowledge Translation Toolkit

Tools and tips to help maximize the practical impact of inner city health research.

We also offer KT training for researchers and for organizations that work for inner city health.

TOOLS FOR RESEARCHERS

Self-reflection exercises

These questions will help you be more intentional in your research and communication.

Getting started: Identify KT goals and relevant activities

What kind of change do you want to contribute to? An options list.

Planning KT intentionally: Environmental scan questions

Questions to ask about your audience and their policy context.

Formats for KT reports and face-to-face meetings

Organizing a KT report: Design tips

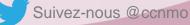
KT writing: Style tips

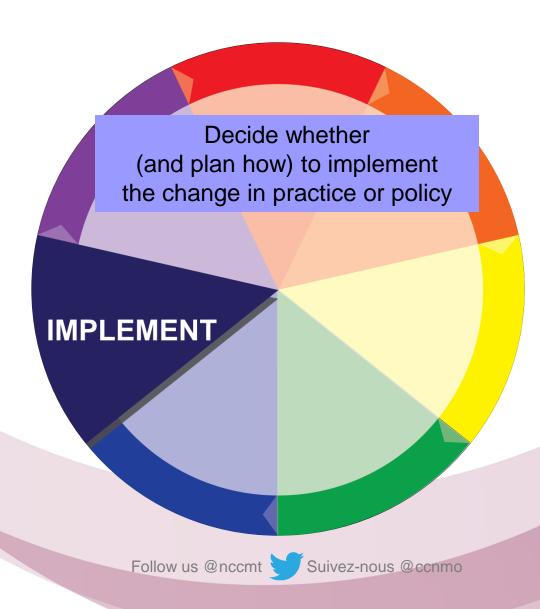
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Tailoring messages for different KT audiences: Case example



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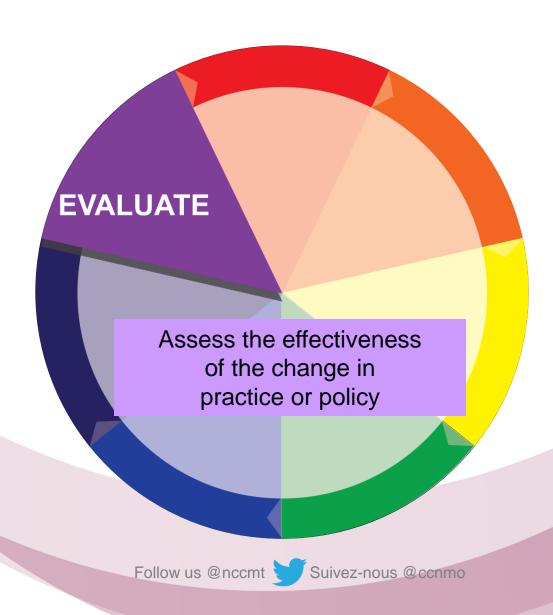
Knowledge Translation Planning Template®

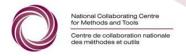


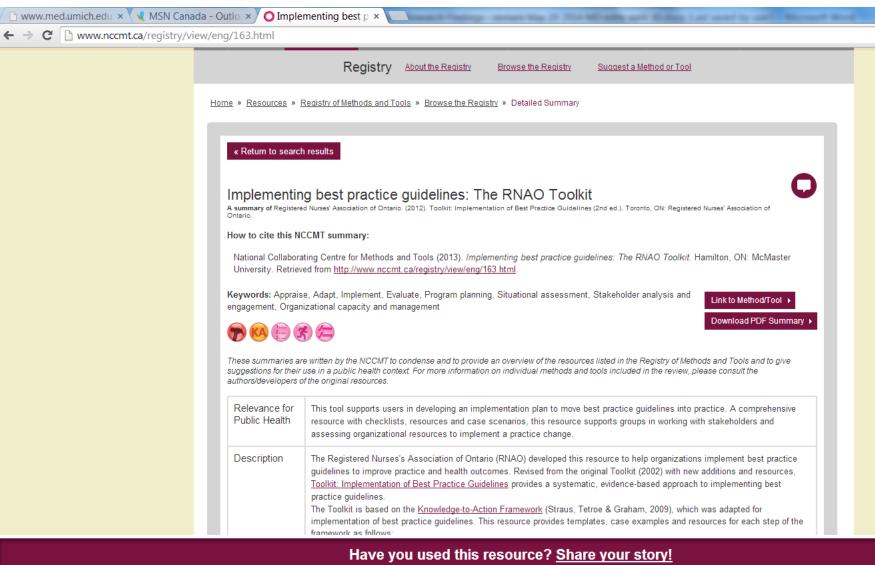


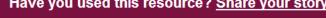
INSTRUCTIONS: This template was designed to assist with the development of Knowledge Translation (KT) plans for research but can be used to plan for non-research projects. The Knowledge Translation Planning Template is universally applicable to areas beyond health. Begin with box #1 and work through to box #13 to address the essential components of the KT planning process.

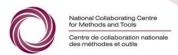
(1) Project Partners	(2) Degree of Partner Engagement	(3) Partner(s) Roles	(4) KT Expertise on Team
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researchers consumers - patients/families the public decision makers private sector/industry research funding body volunteer health sector/NGO practioners other	from idea formulation straight through after idea formulation & straight through at point of dissemination & project end beyond the project Consider: Not all partners will be engaged at the same point in time. Some will be collaborators, end users or audiences, or people hired to do specific activities.	(1) What do the partner(s) bring to the project? (2) How will partner(s) assist with developing, implementing or evaluating the KT plan? Action: Capture their specific roles in letters of support to funders, if requested.	scientist(s) with KT expertise consultant with KT expertise knowledge broker/specialist KT supports within the organization(s) KT supports within partner organization(s) KT supports hired for specific task(s)













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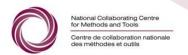




Registry of Methods and Tools

Searchable database of KT resources Summaries and links 200+ resources Categorized by:

- Method/tool
- KT and related activity
- EIP step





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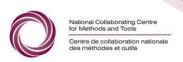
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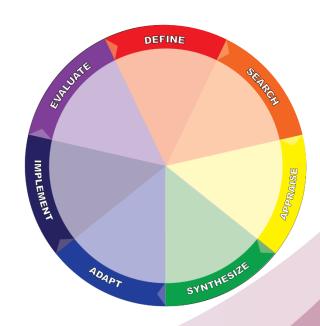
MODULES BY STEPS





Learners who complete these modules and achieve at least 75% on the final tests earn certificates of competence for each module completed.

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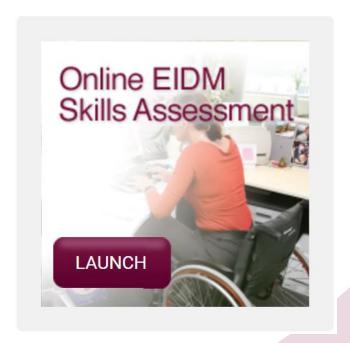






Skills Assessment Tool

- Free online tool
- Tests knowledge and skills for EIDM
- Recommends resources for areas that need improvement

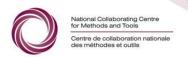




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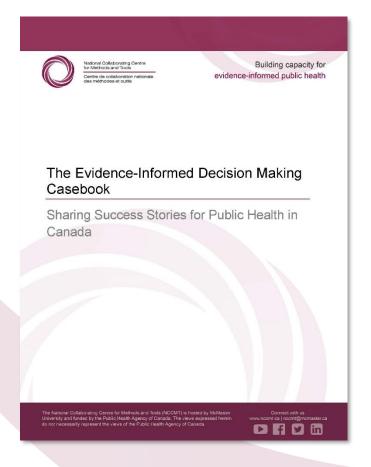
- Detailed guide to steps of rapid review process
- Notes for tailoring based on time/resources
- Writing guide for each section of final document







The EIDM Casebook





- Collection of success stories in public health
- Available at www.nccmt.ca/resources/ eidm-casebook



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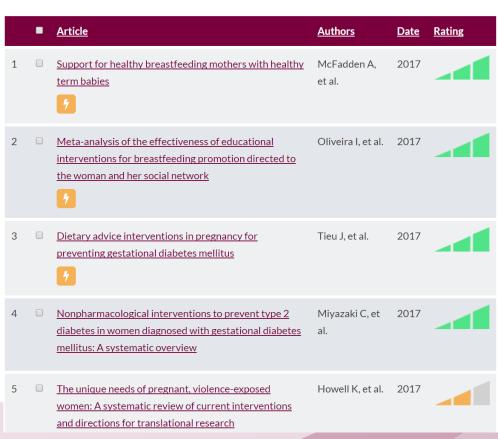


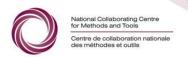
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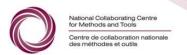




Meta-Analyses: Using Forest Plots



http://www.nccmt.ca/resources/multimedia-eng.html





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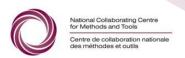
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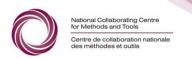






What are your next steps?

- 1) Access the tools referenced in the presentation
- 2) Read the NCCMT summary about the tools described today
- 3) Consider using the method/tool in practice
- 4) Tell a colleague about the method/tool





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