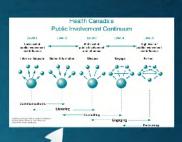
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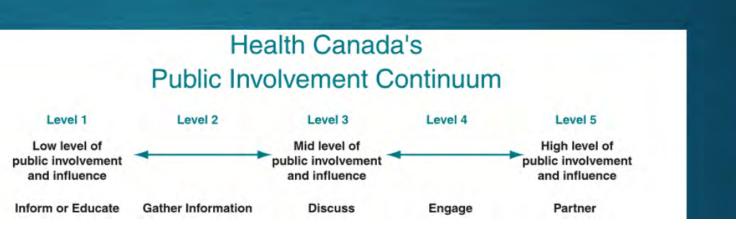
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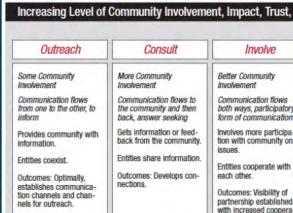
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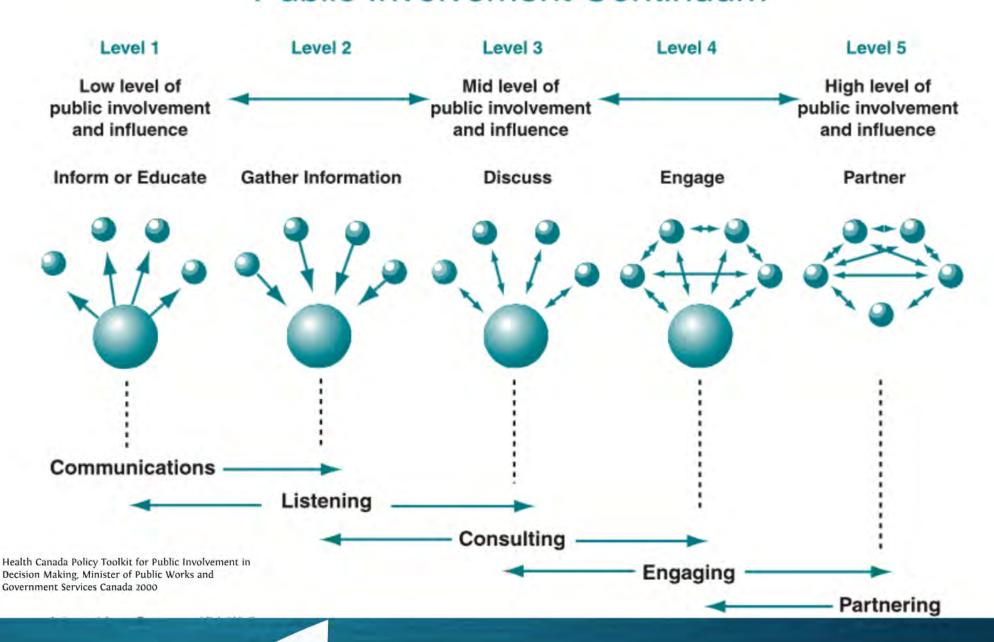
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# Health Canada's Public Involvement Continuum



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#### Increasing Level of Community Involvement, Impact, Trust, and Communication Flow

#### Outreach

#### Some Community Involvement

Communication flows from one to the other, to inform

Provides community with information.

Entities coexist.

Outcomes: Optimally, establishes communication channels and channels for outreach.

#### Consult

#### More Community Involvement

Communication flows to the community and then back, answer seeking

Gets information or feedback from the community.

Entities share information.

Outcomes: Develops connections.

#### Involve

#### Better Community Involvement

Communication flows both ways, participatory form of communication

Involves more participation with community on issues.

Entities cooperate with each other.

Outcomes: Visibility of partnership established with increased cooperation.

#### Collaborate

#### Community Involvement

Communication flow is bidirectional

Forms partnerships with community on each aspect of project from development to solution.

Entities form bidirectional communication channels.

Outcomes: Partnership building, trust building.

#### Shared Leadership

#### Strong Bidirectional Relationship

Final decision making is at community level.

Entities have formed strong partnership structures.

Outcomes: Broader health outcomes affecting broader community. Strong bidirectional trust built.

Reference: Modified by the authors from the International Association for Public Participation.

# Levels of Engagement

Macro: health policy, system implementation

Meso: organization, management, communities

Micro: health professionals, patients

# What and who are stakeholders?

Stockholder



Stakeholder

Groups/people without whose support a firm would cease to exist

Groups/people interested in, concerned about, vested in with an organization's activities

- Patients, families, community, caregivers, advocacy organizations
- Clinicians, clinical professional societies
- · Institutional healthcare providers (hospitals, clinics)
- Government agencies
- Purchasers of healthcare (employers, insurers)
- Healthcare industry
- Healthcare policy makers
- · Health researchers and research institutions

# What about research and knowledge?

Researchers collect data. Data is transformed (analyzed) and becomes information. When information is applied it becomes knowledge.

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Explicit knowledge

Knowledge that can be codified in paper or electronic form and shared, i.e. research evidence Tacit knowledge

Defies quanitfication, inherent in personal skill, sharing requires experience, i.e. clinical wisdom, contextual knowledge Clinical/medical sciences and social science traditions of engagement coming together for sustainable partnerships and mutual research benefit

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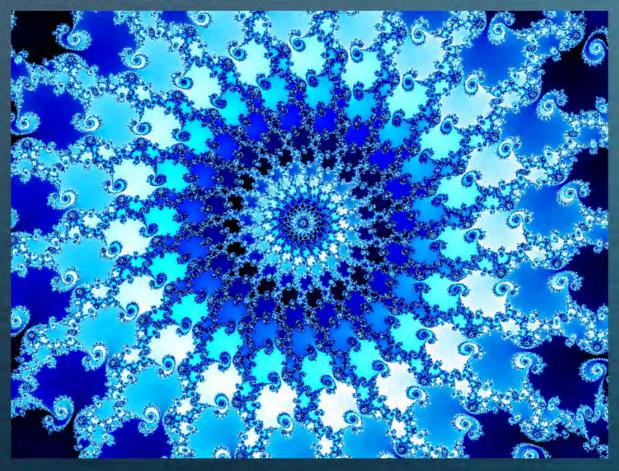
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# Multi-method and mixed-methods

The complementary use of quantitative and qualitative methods (mixed-methods) uncovers both tacit and explicit knowledge and the complex, social processes of research and implementation

A brief word about .....

Complexity & Quality



Generalizability & Transferability

# Take-away messages...

## [following group discussions of cases]

- Collaboratively formulating a research question is challenging; formulating specific research aims that reflect multiple stakeholder interests is even more challenging.
- Multi-methods research provides one strategy for attempting to accommodate multiple stakeholder interests.
- Researchers/providers are challenged to abandon control over the definition of the problem and the design of research/solution. There is a need to acknowledge that all stakeholders face a problem and come together to work on a solution.

# Resources

Research Toolkit: A toolkit for health research in partnership with practices and communities.
http://researchtoolkit.org

Jordan Z, McArthur A, McMillan M. Stakeholder Engagement: The Role of Tacit Knowledge and Value Statements in Translation Science. 2014.

# Stakeholder Perspectives and Methods

Stakeholders ↓	Role/Contribtion to Project	Learning Goal	Method	Data
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Patients				

# Stakeholder Communication and Data

Process data Health Outcomes data Process Map Survey Interview Focus Group Personal story - archetype Dictionary(data definitions)												
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