The Public Health Agency of Canada: Two Funding Approaches to Support Healthier Lifestyles in Canada

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Purpose

- To provide an overview of 2 Public Health Agency of Canada funding programs:
 - » The Innovation Strategy
 - » Multi-Sectoral Partnerships to Promote Healthy Living and **Prevent Chronic Disease**

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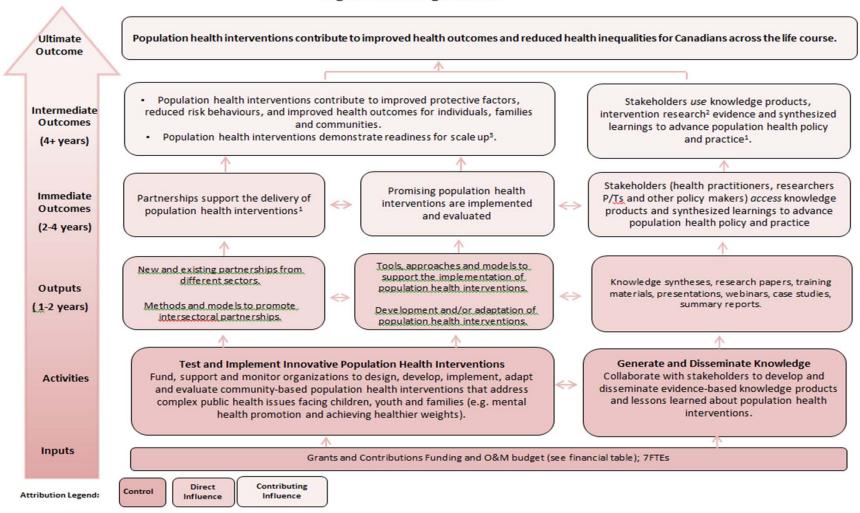
INNOVATION STRATEGY

What is the Innovation Strategy (IS)?

 The IS funds public health interventions to build evidence about "what works", "for who" and in "what context" to reduce health inequalities through:



Figure 2: IS Logic Model



Footnotes, 1. Logic model outcome directly linked to PAA 1.2.2. results and indicators (See Section 2.2 and Annex A for additional information) 2. Intervention research: the use of research methods to produce knowledge about interventions that have the potential to impact health at the population level, including how, when and in what context the interventions work or do not work. 3. Scale up: a deliberate effort to increase the reach and impact of successfully tested population health promotion interventions to benefit more people and to foster sustainable policy/programme development across diverse populations and communities.



Partnership Development: A Critical Success Factor

 Partnerships are key for the projects for extended KDE reach, capacity building, resources and expertise



 Partnerships include health research, academia, non-governmental organizations, government organizations, private organizations and foundations

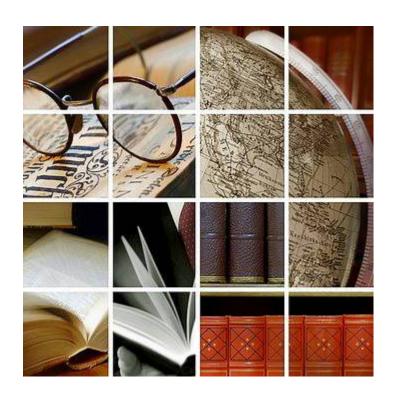


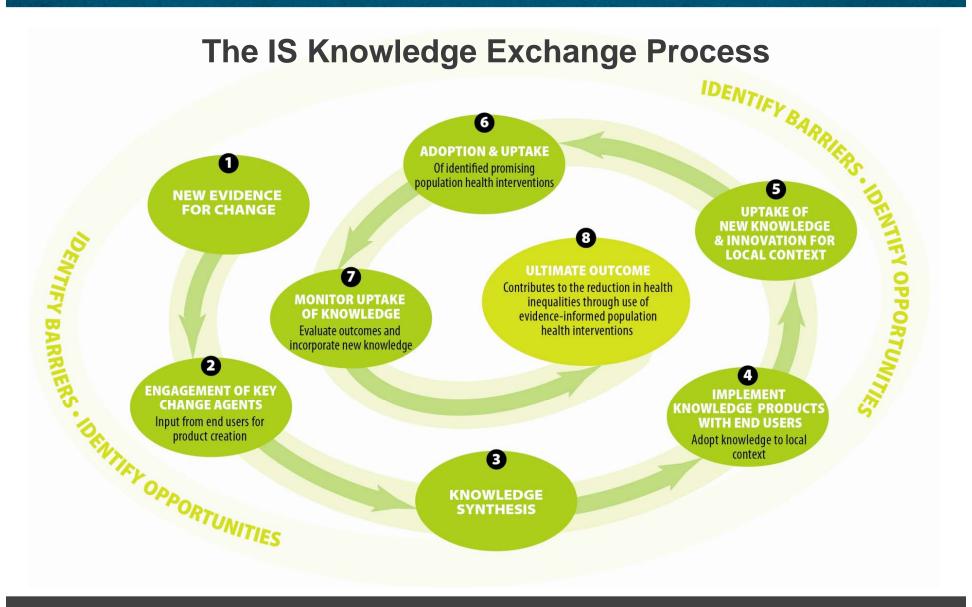


Knowledge Development and Exchange



IS addresses the gap between what is known from the delivery of evidence-based interventions and what is put in place by decision makers







Evaluation and Performance Measurement (PM) How do we Learn 'What Works'?

Regular Monitoring of Project Performance

Project-led Evaluation Plan and Intervention Research

Program Performance Measurement

Program Evaluation

IS OUTCOMES

IS Example: Community Food Centres (CFC) Canada

Community Food Centres (CFC) Canada: Building Health and Equity through Food Programs in Low-income Communities



What we're doing:

- CFC Canada is testing and replicating a CFC model tailored to meet local needs to improve access to healthy food, improve food skills, and support education and engagement in low-income communities across Canada.
- Data is used to calculate social return on investment (SROI) to ensure the value in addressing food security in low-income communities.
- Active participants will be better nourished, less socially isolated, demonstrate stronger community engagement to effect change, and experience lasting mental and physical health benefits.

What we're finding:

- Higher rates of positive healthy eating behaviours and physical and mental health outcomes from CFC food skills programming participation
 - » 83% report making healthy changes to their diet, 69% report eating more fruits and vegetables, 90% report improvement in their mental health.

What this means for policy and programs:

 CFC model has demonstrated that greater self-efficacy or confidence in the kitchen and garden (facilitated by positive, hands-on experience), combined with healthy food knowledge and skills, can improve the quality of one's diet.

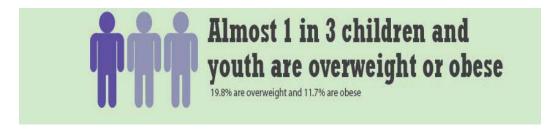
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INTEGRATED STRATEGY ON HEALTHY LIVING AND CHRONIC DISEASE

What is driving the new multi-sectoral approach to partnerships?

Nation-wide issue of childhood obesity and emphasis on healthy living



- Complex health issues that governments can't solve alone
- Inter-jurisdictional collaboration and action

Insights: Everyone has a role to play

Collaboration can stimulate social innovation



Innovation and a greater impact can be achieved through engaging all segments of society

Engagement Across Sectors: Advantages



- ✓ Stimulate innovation
- ✓ Support intervention testing, implementation and evaluation
- ✓ Leverage knowledge, expertise, reach, and resources
- ✓ Strengthen sustainable solutions
- ✓ Coordinate efforts

Insights: Facilitating Partnerships

Agency can play the role of broker/convenor

Bring together and broker relationships among diverse partners often with different mandates - to identify a shared goal



Involves engaging people around an idea and the possibilities of shared leadership in achieving focused results

Insights: Partnership Context and Opportunity

Shared values and objectives can lead to flourishing partnerships

- ✓ Discover "shared value opportunities" that align with public health objectives and can lead to previously untapped resources and enduring solutions
- ✓ Assessment of potential partner
 - Rewards and Benefits
 - Potential risks



Example: The Play Exchange





- Unprecedented national engagement around the importance of healthy, active lifestyles
- Creating a marketplace of ideas to bring private and not-for-profit organizations together
- Voting is on now!

Canadians are part of the solution...







www.playexchange.ca #playexchange

Redesigned Approach to Federal Investments

Launch of solicitation February 2013

Focus on common risk factors

Leverage federal investments with matched private sector funds

Focus on demonstrable results

Reduced burden on recipients



Thank You!

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