

New Resource--Aboriginal Ways Tried and True Framework, Public Health Agency of Canada

The Public Health Agency of Canada is pleased to announce the publication of the new *Aboriginal Ways Tried and True (WTT) Framework*, a new approach to seek out and identify Aboriginal best practices in health promotion and chronic disease prevention within a cultural context that respects First Nations, Inuit and Métis traditional approaches to health and wellness.

The Framework describes the rationale and methodology the Agency used to develop this unique approach. Through a highly collaborative process with over 80 individuals, regular consultation with a WTT Working Group, interviews with Aboriginal health experts, and focused literature reviews, the Agency developed a new way to assess Aboriginal interventions for inclusion on the new *Ways Tried and True* web page on the Canadian Best Practices Portal: <http://cbpp-pcpe.phac-aspc.gc.ca/aboriginalwtt/>.

The Framework describes this new assessment tool, the Interventions Screening Checklist, and the criteria used to assess Aboriginal interventions in a way that is inclusive of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis cultures and values. The criteria are:

1. Community Leadership and Involvement
2. Wholistic Approach
3. Integration of Indigenous Cultural Knowledge
4. Building on Community Strengths and Needs
5. Partnership and Collaboration
6. Effectiveness

To learn more about the Framework or to obtain a copy, please contact the Canadian Best Practices Initiative at cbpp-pcpe@phac-aspc.gc.ca.

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