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The National Collaborating Centre for Infectious Diseases (NCCID) will address the present and future risks of emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases in Canada.

The International Centre for Infectious Diseases Inc., whose mandate is to serve as a catalyst for progress and collaboration in infectious diseases research, training and applied science, is the sponsor of a Population Health Fund Project which will support the development of a National Collaborating Centre on Infectious Disease. The project will establish future direction of this National Collaborating Centre (NCC) including long term work plans and a three-year funding proposal.

The activities the organization will undertake to meet the objectives include organizing cross-country focus groups and workshops with key individuals and organizations to develop the vision, goals, priorities, roles, structures and identify the to key players for the NCCID; completing an environmental scan to identify experts, leaders, best practices and existing networks in the field; examining current strategies being used for knowledge translation and identifying knowledge gaps that will need to be addressed; developing a range of mechanisms to communicate with stakeholders including a web site, list server, newsletter and the establishment of liaison functions with key aboriginal organizations; identifying potential sources for future funding; developing proposals which address priority areas of activity; and collaborating with the other National Collaborating Centres (NCCs).