

National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools
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The National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools (NCCMT) is sponsored by the Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University. It will improve access to relevant methods and tools for public health stakeholders involved in public health policy-making, program decision-making, practice and research in Canada. The ultimate goal is to enhance evidence-based public health practice.

A crucial strategy for meeting the objectives will be networking and developing partnerships with the other NCCs and public health institutions and organizations across the country.

The activities will be accomplished through the following objectives. First, to oversee the provision of methods and tools to transform this knowledge into user-friendly format that will enhance its use in decision-making at all levels and lead to evidence-based public health practice. NCCMT will begin by focusing on institutions because there is some evidence that this is the most effective place to intervene to promote change and enhance the use of evidence-based practice. Second, to identify gaps in methods and tools and to encourage researchers and others to fill these gaps. Finally, to evaluate new tools and methods and all the steps in the process of knowledge exchange.