

NCCEH: Linking Research with Practice

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Knowledge Translation (KT)

encompasses a wide range of activities relating to the production and use of scientific evidence:

Contextualize and integrate research findings Scoping reviews, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, practice guidelines, etc.

Share new knowledge with an identified audience to inform policy, advocacy, practice, and decision making

Synthesis

Dissemination

Knowledge **Application**

Exchange

Use evidence-based information in strategic ways to address real-life problems. Evaluate success and lessons learned from knowledge mobilization efforts.

Collaborative and meaningful interaction between knowledge users (decision makers) and knowledge generators (researchers, knowledge translators / intermediaries)

The NCCEH focuses on health risks associated with the natural and built environment. We synthesize evidence-based resources to help improve ability of public health to make evidence-based decisions and implement evidence-informed interventions.

Synthesize, translate, exchange, mobilize knowledge

• Incorporate evidence from research and experience to make / better decisions about programs, policies and practices

Identify gaps in knowledge

Catalyze new research or application of research

Build capacity

Evaluate

Provide tools, establish networks, foster partnerships

KT and knowledge mobilization projects:

- Outputs e.g., publications; presentations; webinars; tools; training
- Outcomes e.g., knowledge is shared in a way that is easily accessible, understandable, useful and used; stakeholders connected and engaged; networks formed
- **Impacts** e.g., policy or practice change implemented



Example of KT at work: Personal Service Settings

Associated infections Regulation and promising practices Cleaning, disinfection, sterilization

Guideline development and review



PSS working groups

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