

Knowledge Exchange for Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Patient-Centred Practice

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Knowledge exchange for Interprofessional Education (IPE) and Collaborative Patient Centred Practice (CPCP) is information sharing and collaborative problem-solving between an interprofessional team of stakeholders and champions in such areas as: health research, health service delivery, education and health policy. Effective knowledge exchange processes involve ongoing interactions, linkages and partnerships between these stakeholders*. This mutual learning occurs through *the process of planning, producing, disseminating, applying, evaluating and revising* existing or new research and leading practices resulting in evidence-informed decision making** for improved health service delivery and population health outcomes.

* Description of the stakeholders is defined within the CIHC Partnership Framework http://www.cihc.ca/our_work/partnerships.php

** evidence includes both scientific and experiential evidence