

Collaborators meeting
Agenda for 3 June 2021
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 Review today's agenda Review action item from last meeting - see attachment 2 		
STANDING ITEMS	Topic	
A) Activity streams		
0.New or updated syntheses		
Intake and prioritization (includes intake for living docs)	 Status of requests and completed products (including plain language summaries) Separate service contracts are being leveraged to co-sponsor many evidence synthesis products and updates Mapping of living evidence syntheses frequency is carefully planned to respond to needs while allowing best use of resources and funds 	5 min
 Rapid evidence profiles (REPs) 	See above	
 Rapid evidence syntheses (RSs) 	See above	
 Plain language summaries (includes summaries for living documents below) 	 Procedures developed for updates to plain language summaries to match updates to living evidence syntheses Four summaries posted in English and French, others in development 	1 min
1. Living evidence syntheses		
Living evidence profiles	See above	
Living evidence syntheses	See above	
• Other	Living behavioural sciences documents (see link above)	1 min
2. Inventory of 'best evidence s	yntheses'	
• Status	 7,999 syntheses from high-quality/high-yield sources → 6,257 non-duplicate syntheses → 4,321 decision-relevant syntheses → 431 'best' evidence syntheses (updated 26 May) Additional fields for equity considerations being planned 	1 min
Searchable database	Expected soon	
Inventory spotlights	Canadian (see below) and global inventory spotlights	
3. Evidence-demand coordinate	ion	
 Canadian Public Health Network (SAC and TAC) Other PHAC (Chief Science Officer, others) 	 Content from our spotlights is being included in the weekly evidence summary being distributed to all SAC and TAC members, as well as Government of Canada staff Regular communications 	1 min
Other federal government	 Secretariat continues to reach out to government contacts with three calls to action: sign-up for the twice-a-month email updates (for spotlights and horizon scanning news) – although this is now included in the weekly evidence update sent across the Government of Canada and to their provincial public-health counterparts (as noted below) submit a request using the online form (for questions from high-level decision makers) encourage your team and other colleagues who are providing 'front-line' decision support within government to use the COVID-END inventory when they're looking for the best global evidence and reminders to use the COVID-END website for additional resources 	2 min
Provincial and territorial governments	As above	
Tracking	•	
Webinars (and presentations)	Awareness raising webinar among Government of Canada staff and CIHR: <u>Finding</u> <u>Best Evidence' About COVID-19</u> - completed 19 May	1 min

4. Horizon scanning		
Adjustments to existing	Horizon scans are published once a month and include a briefing note about	1 min
process	emerging issues, and a panel summary about priority issues for Canada.	
Canadian panel membership	Confirmed 28 Canadian horizon scanning panel members (many of whom are	1 min
	observing the global horizon scanning panel meeting as well)	
	Two meetings completed (April and May)	
	• FYI - list of panel members - see attachment 3	
5. Evidence-supply coordination		
Evidence-synthesis teams	Quarterly meetings of the evidence-synthesis teams: one completed 29 March, next	3 min
• Evidence-synthesis teams	quarterly meeting is booked for 22 June	3 111111
	A survey was conducted about the teams' content expertise and working with citizen	
	partners	
	Teams who are taking on living evidence syntheses are matched with citizen partners	
	A webpage 'Resources for researchers' has been further enhanced	
	• Teams are reminded to share with the secretariat relevant work that they took on,	
	and work completed for other projects, and to ask us to search the global inventory	
	(until it is fully searchable online) and searchable Excel database of Canadian	
	documents	
 Canadian synthesis spotlights 	Canadian spotlights can be accessed <u>here</u>	1 min
Dissemination vehicles	Reminder to <u>subscribe</u> (and encourage others to do the same) to the Canadian	1 min
	COVID-19 email update, which provides three types of products from COVID-	
	END in Canada:	
	1) Canadian spotlights,	
	2) global spotlights, and	
	3) horizon scans	
	Distribution also through partner newsletters, websites, social media	
	Outputs are also captured in the email going out across the public service federally	
B) Cross-cutting		
1. Citizen partnership	Recruitment and orientation of Canadian citizen partners completed	
	Citizen partners are being matched with research teams, and resources about how to	
	work with citizen partners have been made available on the website	
	A citizen partners training mini-course organized by SPOR-EA was extended to the	
	members of the citizen partnership group	
2. Indigenous peoples	Plans underway to connect with five teams who received CIHR funding for	
engagement	knowledge syntheses; also, connection with contact from CoVaRR (see below)	
3. Website and communications	• Website overhaul completed - see <u>Resources for Canadians</u> (as well as global	5 min
	sections of website)	
4. Measuring impact	•	
OTHER BUSINESS / ARISI		
1. CIHR- and NSERC-funded	CIHR-funded	5 min
networks	o Coronavirus Variants Rapid Response Network (CoVaRR) - Marc-André	
	Langlois, PI; Jeremy Grimshaw Co-PI	
	o Canadian Network of COVID-19 Clinical Trials Networks - Robert Fowler, PI	
	o Indigenous Peoples and COVID-19 Knowledge Syntheses	
	• NSERC-funded modelling networks. Contacting the following 2 of 5	
	o <u>CANMOD:</u> Canadian Network for Modelling Infectious Disease - Caroline	
	Colijn (Simon Fraser), David Earn (McMaster), co-leads	
	o One Society Network: mathematical modelling of multi-sectoral impact of	
	pandemics and control policies - Christopher McCabe (U Alberta), PI	
	• Secretariat is in the process of establishing connections with PIs of the network, and	
	planning meetings to discuss collaboration	
	 Planning meetings to discuss collaboration Secretariat plans to extend an invitation to leads of the networks to present at future 	

2. Brief updates about other relevant initiatives underway in Canada	For discussion	
3. Next meetings	 Upcoming meetings: Evidence-synthesis teams: 22 June Steering Committee: 13 July Collaborators: 29 July 	