What Successful Partnership Do: 6 key activities
Webinar Handout: Resources and tools
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This content for this webinar is based on HC Link resource, Planning for Partnership, as well as the experiences of HC Link staff consultants.

The Partnership Development Resources section on HC Link’s website has many resources to help you and your partnership get established, get structured and be effective. This includes the recording and resources from our 2015 webinar series on effective partnerships. A new series of English resources (currently available in French) will be available throughout the summer. Additional resources on participatory evaluation and measuring partnership effectiveness can be found on the Evaluation Resources section. Our Facilitation Toolkit lists several techniques that may be helpful for guiding group conversations or meetings with partners.

Tools to help you CONNECT

Stakeholder Engagement Wheel: this tool from Tamarack provides a description and activity examples on how you can use the Stakeholder Wheel to map out who should be involved in your partnership, and at what level.

Collaborative Leadership in Practice (CLIP) was a project of Health Nexus and the Ontario Public Health Association. The aim of the project was to equip leaders to be able to collaborate with diverse partners and recognize the power structures that exist in our partnerships. On the resources page, you’ll find two excellent tools- with guides- “Equity Analysis Tool of Group Membership” and a “Partnership Conversation Starter” which has definitions and examples of different models of working collaboratively.

Seven Questions to Knowing your Audience: These questions can be very useful in helping you to determine the needs and wants of potential partners before you approach them. The questions provide a way to “get into the shoes” of potential partners, and tailor your ask in a way that they will be most likely to say yes.

The Creating Welcoming Places Handbook was developed by the Asset-Based Community Development Institute. It’s a resource to help groups increase their size and diversity, get everyone participating, and keep members coming back.

Tools to help you FOSTER SHARED UNDERSTANDING

Public Health & Primary Care Collaboration Toolkit contains many useful resources, information and tools applicable for working collaboratively in any sector. This section contains Himmelman’s Continuum of Collaboration, and gives explanations and examples for each level.

Infed has an excellent description of Bruce Tuckman’s stages of group development.
Tools to help you CREATE A VISION

HC Link’s *The Power of Reflection: an introduction to participatory evaluation techniques* describes Paper Quilt, which is an activity that you can use with your group to create a vision.

HC Link’s *Facilitation for Healthy Communities Toolkit* describes two techniques which can help to create a shared vision: Visioning (Guided Visioning) and 1-2-4-all.

Tools to help you PLAN COLLABORATIVELY and WORK TOGETHER FOR CHANGE

Appreciative Inquiry & Generating and Prioritizing Ideas are techniques described in HC Link’s *Facilitation for Healthy Communities Toolkit*.

HC Link’s *Terms of Reference Builder* provides an outline of what is typically found in a Terms of Reference so that you can build your own.

Section 5 of The Community Toolbox provides background information, instructions, rationale and tools for developing an action plan.

Seeds for Change has produced a short guide for decision making to help with consensus decision making.

Tools to help you CELEBRATE, EVALUATE and RENEW

The *Wilder Collaboration Factors Inventory* has an online collaboration assessment tool with research-tested success factors.

Bilodeau, Galarneau, Fournier & Potvin have developed an 18 indicator tool: Outil diagnostique de l’action en partenariat. Currently the tool is available in French only, however Health Nexus is adapting the tool for English audiences.

HC Link’s *Participatory Evaluation Toolkit* and *The Power of Reflection: an introduction to participatory evaluation techniques* describe techniques mentioned in the webinar, and more complex ones as well.

This 2017 edition of *HC Link’s Digest +* is on evaluation, and contains many more helpful tools and resources.