

This fact sheet explores five categories of factors that can explain the significant gap between the participatory rhetoric attached to HIA, and actual practices.

Lauzière, J., & Hamel, G. (2011). *Health impact assessment (HIA): Selected resources*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=271

This inventory is intended as an introduction to the field of HIA practice as applied to policy development. It aims to facilitate access to existing resources, provide information about the most effective techniques for researching HIA, and share knowledge about the main ideas that characterize this field.

St-Pierre, L., & Mendell, A. (2011). *The implementation of health impact assessment (HIA) in Canada: HIA pilot project in Montérégie, Québec*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=666

This report presents an account of the HIA project's start-up, by the public health authority in the Montérégie region, in order to engage the municipal government to undertake health impact assessments of prospective municipal projects or policies. The report describes, in brief, the different stages of the pilot project, the mechanisms put in place to help ensure collaboration, the objectives of the project, the evaluation plan, and the main findings that emerged from the process.

2010

Mendell, A. (2010). *Four types of impact assessment used in Canada*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=581

This document examines four different impact assessment (IA) approaches that are used in Canada, including health impact assessment (HIA), environmental impact assessment (EIA), strategic environmental assessment (SEA), and risk assessment (RA). This table provides a general sense of what four types of impact assessment used in Canada try to achieve, and how.

National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. (2010). *Health impact assessment (HIA). A tool to promote healthy public policies*. [PowerPoint slides]. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=445

This PowerPoint presentation was designed to be used to disseminate HIA-related information. Complete with speaking notes and a set of slides you can personalize, this can be used by public health practitioners or by anyone with an interest in HIA.

National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. (2010). *Information grid - Canadian HIA initiatives*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/publications.ccnpps?id_article=308

Information grids on three Canadian HIA initiatives at the local level: the PATH project that conducted an HIA for a recreational centre project in Nova Scotia, a City of Toronto initiative considering a proposal for processing mixed waste to reduce landfill, as well as a proposal for a tricomposting plant project in Montérégie, Québec.

St-Pierre, L. (2010). *HIA and inequities*. *HIA Series*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=317

This paper focuses on how HIA invites health practitioners to take not only the impacts on the health of the population into consideration, but also how these impacts could have differential effects on some groups of the population.

2009

d'Amour, R., St-Pierre, L., & Ross, M.-C. (2009). *Discussion workshop on health impact assessment at the level of provincial governments*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=246

The results from a meeting of representatives of provincial ministries of health, discussing HIA practices and potential in Canada.

Eaton, S. (2009). *Brief history of People Assessing Their Health (PATH)*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=290

Introductory overview of the PATH project, showing the different steps and projects that shaped the history of this movement.

Eaton, S., St-Pierre, L., & Ross, M.-C. (2009). *Influencing healthy public policy with community health impact assessment*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=300

This paper summarizes the project, "Influencing Healthy Public Policy with Community Health Impact Assessment" led by PATH (People Assessing Their Health) network in Nova Scotia. This report is a summary of the diverse activities documented by PATH throughout the year that sheds light on the influence of community health impact assessment (CHIA) in promoting healthy public policy.

Habitat Health Impact Consulting. (2009). *Development of a canadian HIA course. Review of existing HIA courses methods and results*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=285

A review of existing HIA courses, methods and results.

North American HIA Practice Standards Working Group. (2009). *Practice standards for health impact assessment (HIA)*. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=268

This document proposes a set of practice standards that can serve as reference points to be used by Canadian and American practitioners to establish their own practices, and secondly, to stimulate discussion on the values and methods that guide these practices.

St-Pierre, L. (2009). *Introduction to HIA. HIA Series*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=302

This briefing note, the first in a series examining the practice of HIA from various perspectives, provides a general introduction to HIA.

St-Pierre, L. (2009). *What is health impact assessment (HIA)?* Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=250

This short document introduces the reader to the main characteristics of HIA such as its definition, its rationale and principles, as well as its origins. The documents concludes with a

brief presentation on the mandate and the vision of the NCCHPP regarding HIA, considered by the Centre to be an effective strategy for acting on healthy public policies.

2008

Gagnon, F., Turgeon, J., & Dallaire, C. (2008). *Health impact assessment in Québec: When the law becomes a lever for action*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=177

This study traces the history of health impact assessment in Québec since 2001, paying critical attention to the implementation of section 54 of Québec's *Public Health Act* and the mechanisms within the provincial government to foster its adoption.

Lauzière, J. (2008). *Health impact assessment (HIA): Guides & tools*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=391

This paper presents an inventory of HIA guides and tools available online.

St-Pierre, L. (2008). *Canadian round table on health impact assessment (HIA)*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=175

This paper presents the roundtable discussion on HIA practice in Canada, highlighting key points and original ideas from the day.

St-Pierre, L. (2008). *Round table on health impact assessment - February 22, 2008. Health impact assessment (HIA): A promising action path for promoting healthy public policies*. Montréal, Québec: National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy. Retrieved from: http://www.ncchpp.ca/133/Publications.ccnpps?id_article=107

This background paper presents the challenges and possibilities of HIA and its development possibilities for Canada. It is the result of meetings and a knowledge review conducted between 2005 and 2007. This paper served as a point of departure at a February 22, 2008 roundtable of Quebec, Canadian and international experts organized by the NCCHPP.

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