

Friday March 12, 2010

Deliberating to inform decision-making

Decision-making in the public health sector is complex. There are often uncertainties regarding the effectiveness of projects, programs, and policies to solve public health problems. In addition, there is often no consensus among the population, or among experts and decision-makers, about the best course of action. Deliberative processes can support decision-making by creating a dialogue between the various stakeholders to critically examine an issue and come to a rationally motivated agreement. The objective of this one-day workshop is to inform public health professionals and decision-makers in the use of deliberative processes to inform decision-making



Simultaneous translation from French to English and from English to French will be offered during this workshop.

10 h - 10 h 05

Welcome and Introduction

Objectives(a.m.):

- Distinguish different forms of deliberative processes.
- Understand the different roles of deliberative processes in decision-making.

Facilitator :

François-Pierre Gauvin, M.A., Ph. D., National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy

10 h 05 - 10 h 40

Public deliberation and democratic governance: Theories, practices, and evidence

Julia Abelson, M. Sc., Ph. D., Researcher and Professor, McMaster University ; Director, Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis

10 h 40 - 11 h 15

Deliberative methods to combine different types of evidence in the development of policy recommendations

Mark Dobrow, Ph. D., Researcher, Cancer Care Ontario; Professor, University of Toronto

11 h 15 - 12 h

Debate – Is deliberation leading to better decisions?

Michael Orsini, M.A., Ph. D. Professor, University of Ottawa

François P. Robert, M.A., Université du Québec à Montréal

12 h - 13 h 30

Grand salon

Lunch – Poster Presentations

Objectives (p.m.):

- Draw lessons from various initiatives (success factors and challenges).
- Explore strategies to sustain the implementation of deliberative processes.

Facilitator :

Marie-France Duranceau, Research Officer, Groupe de recherche interdisciplinaire en santé, Université de Montréal

13 h 30 - 14 h 20

Organizing and evaluating deliberative dialogues in Canada and abroad

John N. Lavis, M.D., Ph. D, Professor, McMaster University; director, McMaster Health Forum

14 h 20 - 15 h

Imagine Milton-Parc – Participative approach to develop a sustainable development plan for a neighborhood

Luc Rabouin, M.Sc., Executive Director, Centre d'écologie urbaine de Montréal

Normand Brunet, Ph.D., Institut des sciences de l'environnement, Université du Québec à Montréal

15 h - 15 h 30

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Pause – Poster Presentations

15 h 30 - 16 h 30

Deliberative dialogues to inform pandemic influenza preparedness

Presenter to be confirmed: Direction générale de la santé publique, Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux du Québec

Citizen contribution to the development of influenza preparedness plans: Echoes from a deliberative experience

Hubert Doucet, M.A., L. Th., Ph. D., professor, Université de Montréal

16 h 30 - 17 h

Synthesis

Michel Venne, Executive Director, Institut du Nouveau Monde