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Canadian Police Executive Research Agenda

Canadian Chiefs of Police
Research Foundation
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The Business Case for Research

1. Leads to better decision making
 - Supports the leader working in the increasingly complex environment of policing
2. Promotes a broad approach to problem solving
 - Many disciplines working on police issues
3. Advances our profession
 - Body of knowledge to pass on to our successors



Foundation Products

*National
Agenda of
Police Leaders'
Research
Needs*

Clearinghouse
for Police
Research

Fund or Find
Original
Research

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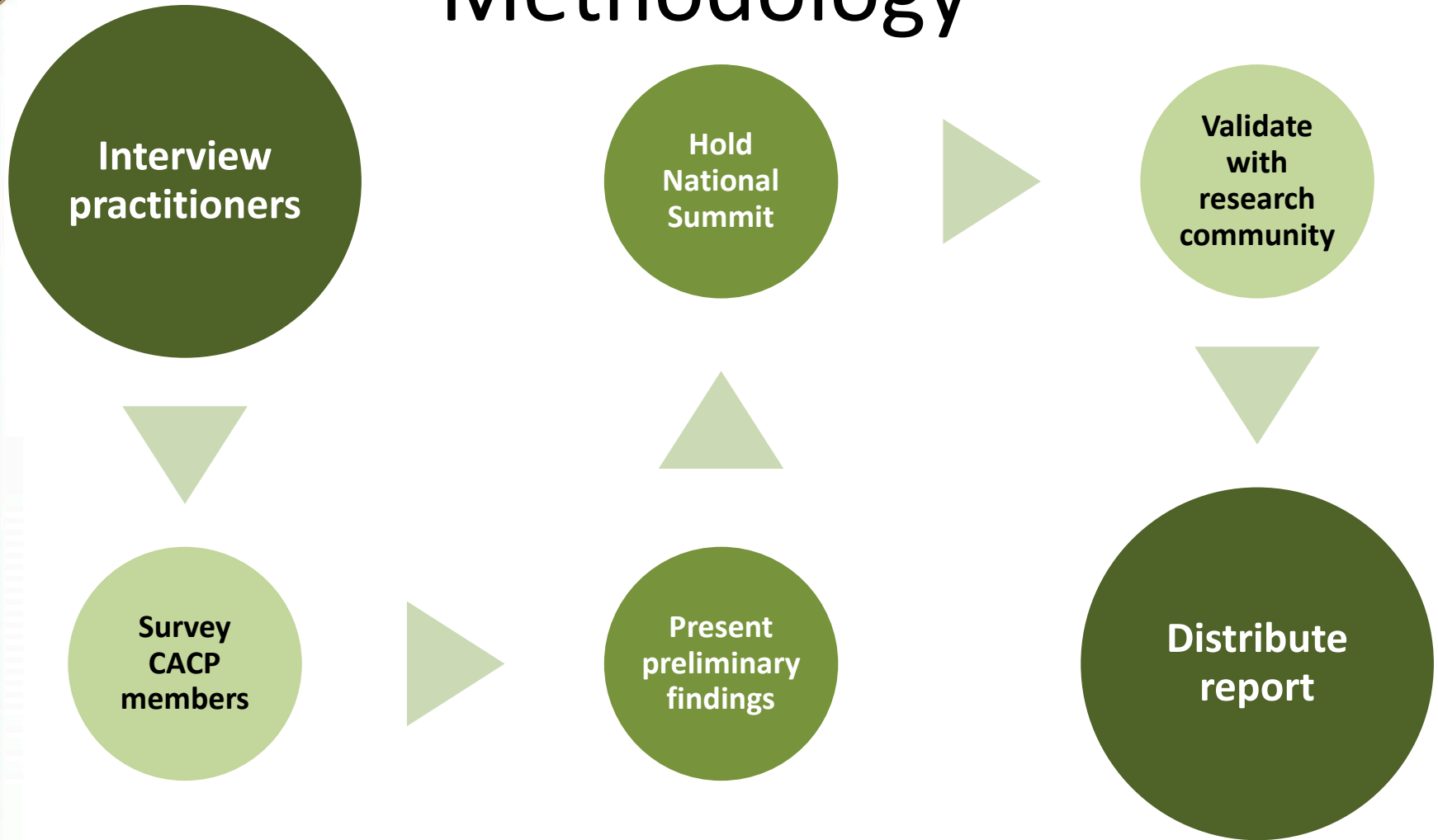


Research Agenda Project Goals

- Gain an understanding of the research needs of Canadian police executives
 - Share it with the research community
- Develop stronger relationships / better engagement with the research community
 - Become a responsible partner
- Help put research into action
 - Better policing



Methodology





The Findings

1. Context of Police Executive Decision Making
2. Canadian Police Executive Research Agenda

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Context of Police Executive Decision Making

1. Improving the quantification of policing activities and impacts
2. Operating in Canada's changing demographic and cultural context
3. Building stronger relationships with the public
4. Demonstrating accountability
5. Understanding and managing the economics of policing
6. Enhancing information management and information sharing



Canadian Police Executive Research Agenda

Human Resources

Funding and Financing

Community Engagement

Operations

Impact of Technology

Policing Models



Research Agenda

- Human Resources
 - Leadership development
 - Civilianization
 - Changing face of society
 - Efficiencies of training
 - Understanding workloads
 - Enhancing ethics and professionalism
 - Retirement and retention
 - Mental health issues



Research Agenda

- Funding and Financing
 - Cost drivers
 - How to evaluate benefits to community
 - Investment
 - Public safety



Research Agenda

- Community Engagement
 - How the public wants to engage with the police
 - Communicating more effectively
 - Helping the public understand the full range of what the police does, the challenges we face, the difference we make



Research Agenda

- Operations
 - Capturing knowledge and exchanging best practice
 - Improving our learning
 - Identify, share and use research that has already been conducted



Research Agenda

- Impact of Technology
 - Operations
 - Social media
 - Affect on budgets
 - Changing nature of crime and investigations
 - Far reaching, co-ordinated efforts
 - Flexible laws and legislation



Research Agenda

- Policing Models
 - Quantify different models
 - Metrics and outcomes
 - Definition of “core policing”?
 - Community investment strategies to reduce crime and disorder