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Introduction

- Community-based participatory research is a contemporary research methodology used largely in health research.²
- Community-based participatory research works to balance power and control in research.¹
- Indigenous people around the world have had and continue to have an uncomfortable relationship with research.²
- Community-based participatory research is viewed as a way to do ethical research with Indigenous people.¹

Purpose

This project seeks to understand factors that influence community-based participatory research on Indigenous health using a narrative literature review approach.

Methods

- Initially, I met with a librarian from Western Libraries to create a strategy for literature searching.
- The data searches using specific key words found n=312 publications within academic journals.
- Using inclusion and exclusion criteria I narrowed the articles down to n=145.
- I read the abstracts of the remaining articles to determine relevancy to the topic which left n=29 articles.
- I created annotated bibliographies for all 29 articles to foster an understanding of the topic.
- I coded for themes within all 29 articles.



Preliminary Findings

- The preliminary findings suggest that there are six themes within the literature; 1) Collaboration and Partnerships, 2) Community-driven vs Community-based, 3) Ethics Policies, 4) Institutional Practices, 5) Power and Control, and 6) Resources and Capacity.
- Collaboration and partnerships are seen as an indicator of ethical research with Indigenous people.³
- Theory on CBPR suggests that community-driven and community-initiated research is best practice while the literature suggests this is rarely the case.²
- Resources and capacity are a major indicator of a community's ability to participate in research.¹

Experience

The Head and Heart fellowship has allowed me to explore my positionality through reflexive activities and refine my research skills with mentorship and training.

Conclusion

- Many of the factors influencing CBPR are interrelated and connected.
- Future research may be required on the topic of community capacity.
- Given that this poster only displays preliminary findings, further analysis will uncover more about the factors.
- With the knowledge obtained during this literature review I will be informed on CBPR while completing future research.

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