

Measuring Wellbeing: A Symposium on the Use of Wellbeing Indicators

Monday, May 28, 2012

1:00 to 3:30pm

Paul Martin Centre

Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario

There is more to community or national wellbeing than economic growth. Panelists in this symposium will present different approaches to measuring wellbeing, principally the [Canadian Index of Wellbeing](#) (CIW), and Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's (AANDC's) [Community Wellbeing Index](#) (CWB), along with other applied examples of initiatives being used in communities. After a brief break, open discussion will be held with the audience and all panelists. Participants in this symposium will leave with a better understanding of how to measure wellbeing in community settings and how this can lead to change.

Agenda and Panelists

Introduction to the CIW and CWB	Bryan Smale, Director, Canadian Index of Wellbeing, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, University of Waterloo
	Martin Cooke, School of Public Health and Health Systems, University of Waterloo
Using the Canadian Index of Wellbeing in Guelph's Community Wellbeing Initiative and Community Investment Strategy	Barbara Powell, General Manager, Community Engagement, City of Guelph
Using the CIW to engage local leaders and champion wellbeing	Gary Machan, Resilience Collaborative, Barrie Community Health Centre
Using the CWB to measure wellbeing in First Nation and Inuit communities	Eric Guimond and Erin O'Sullivan, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
Discussant	Jerry White, Western University

Break

Audience discussion
