

# Building the Foundation for a Practice-based Research Network

## Supporting Primary Care Research across Canada

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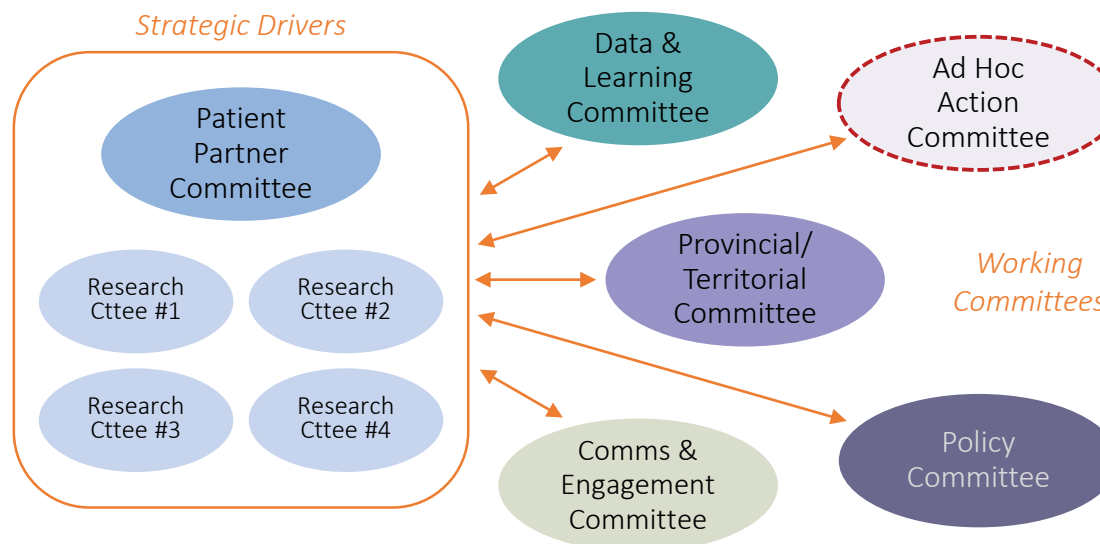
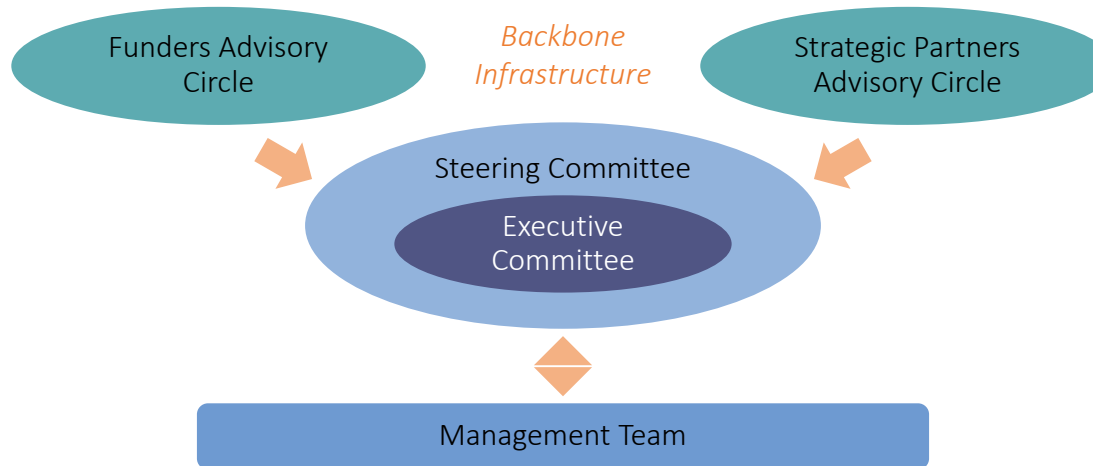
### Background

The Strategy for Patient Oriented Research (SPOR) Primary and Integrated Health Care Innovations Network (PIHCIN) is rooted in community-based primary health care and meant to support transformation of primary and integrated care to improve patient experiences and health. Each province and Northwest Territories has leadership with expertise in research, policy and clinical aspects of primary care. Patient partners are involved in all levels of decision making.

**Objective:** To describe key components of building the foundation for cross-jurisdictional, practice-based research.

### Methods

- Cross-sectional survey and thematic analysis of notes from PIHCIN Leadership Council meetings.
- SPOR PIHCIN internal stakeholder engagement.



### Results

- Backbone foundation: steering & executive committee with management team.
- Facilitates PIHCINs vision and strategy, coordinates and aligns network; steering committee receives advice and input from partner advisory circle and funders advisory circle skills.
- Practice based research and learning network:
  1. Designed by clinician scientists and patients
  2. Operated by clinicians with support staff
  3. Informed by policy makers
  4. Increases capacity of researchers, trainees and clinicians to develop and carry out practice based research
  5. Strong and core component that includes knowledge translation exchange.

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