

CRE-MSD STRATEGIC PLAN

GOALS

1. To support workplace-partnered, stakeholder-focused research into the primary prevention of musculoskeletal disorders.
2. To generate transferable knowledge on the primary prevention of musculoskeletal disorders at work.

STRATEGIES	COMPONENTS	2009 PLAN
1. MSD Prevention Research Strategy OBJECTIVES: - A national MSD prevention research agenda - A coordinated, coherent program of research	6 Q Initiative Developing a national research strategy on the prevention of MSDs based on: (1) Our understanding of MSD etiology, diagnosis and burden; (2) The identification of multiple domains of risk factors; (3) The ability of workplaces to identify risks effectively and efficiently; (4) The development of efficacious interventions for MSD prevention; (5) Barriers and facilitators for the wide and intensive implementation of interventions (6) Our ability to improve MSD disability outcomes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 Q Initiative planning • Editorial on 6-Q submitted to Journal of WORK. • 1 by-invitation stakeholder workshop • 2 invited academic workshops • Panel discussion at ACE conference • Plain language reports; web content
	CRE-MSD's focus of research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of workplace risks and hazards • Design & evaluation of workplace interventions • Workplace implementation and evaluation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct ongoing research studies • Submit RAC grants including Bridging the Gap • Submit CIHR grant • Seed grants funded
	2. Researcher Strategy OBJECTIVES: - Attract researchers - Increase multidisciplinary research - Produce highly qualified people	CRE-MSD researcher network
	Students and young faculty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD students lead research • Mentorship • Student funding via seed grants
	Research partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with CREs and IWH on KTE and overall Ontario research planning • Develop national network of researchers
3. Research to Practice (r2P) Stakeholder Strategy OBJECTIVES: - Expanded interactions - Strong contributor to knowledge transfer - Promote culture of research	Stakeholder partnerships Employer, organized labour, ergonomists, HSAs and Safety Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internship Program – complete internship with CEP and research study with organized labour. • Stakeholder conference – Transportation health & safety association. • Safety Groups Initiative (employer network)
	Collaborative research methodology With stakeholder partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create collaborative research projects with stakeholders • KT methodology and development • Research into knowledge transfer – academic journal articles and plain language content for website.
	Transferable knowledge With stakeholder input and collaboration to develop and plan topics for plain language products.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop Website • Fund Position papers, • Organize conferences & workshops • Sector-based relationships to develop products • Academic and plain language publications
4. Sustainability Strategy OBJECTIVES: - Strong partnerships - Active leadership - Centre funding secured for future years	Centre leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory Committee • Centre Steering Group • Scientific Committee
	National research partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop operating partnerships with SafetyNet in Newfoundland • CIHR 5-Year strategic team grant (Quebec, BC, Newfoundland)