

# ENGAGEMENT & HEALTH TRANSFORMATION

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# My Story of Health Transformation



# Three Levels of Engagement

(Merati et al., 2020)

PARTICIPATION

MEMBERSHIP  
(INFORM  
DECISION  
MAKERS)

DECISION MAKERS  
(LEAD WORK)

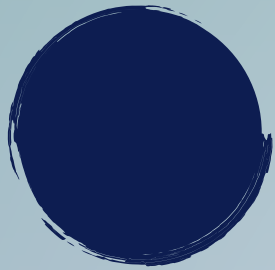
5-minute  
appointments

Hearing my  
story

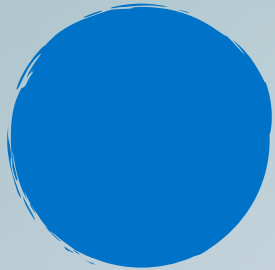
Co-creating &  
Executing my  
health plan



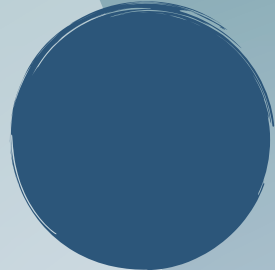
# LIMITATIONS TO ENGAGEMENT



LEVEL OF  
KNOWLEDGE  
AND  
AWARENESS



PRIVILEGE



WORLDVIEW



SETTLER  
COLONIALISM



PROXIMITY

1<sup>st</sup> Dimension: Direct  
Action to Secure  
Compliance

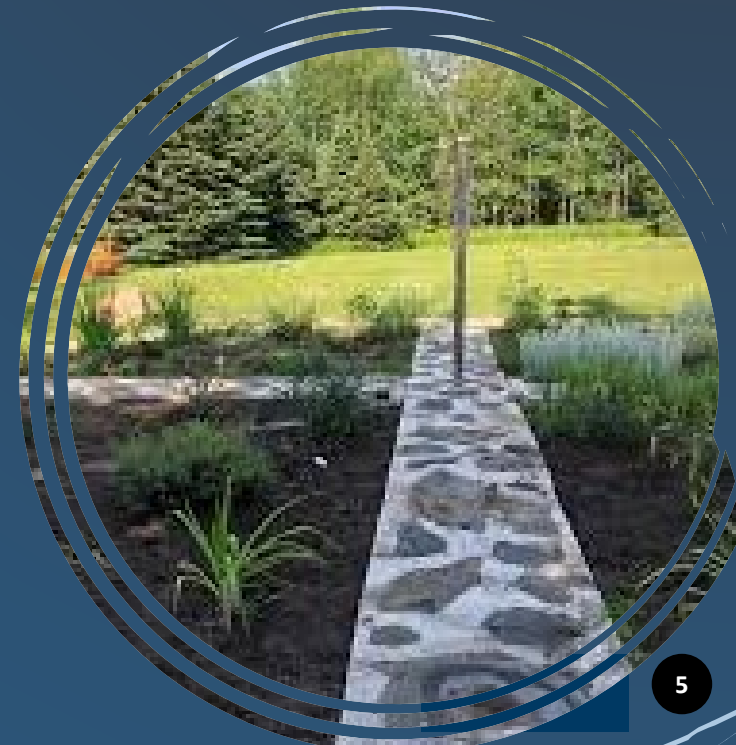


2<sup>nd</sup> Dimension:  
Suppressing Conflict



3<sup>rd</sup> Dimension: Avoid  
Conflict by Shaping  
Peoples' Views

# Three Dimensions of Power (Lukes)



# IMPLICATIONS FOR DESIGNING HEALTH TRANSFORMATION

**Responsibility**

**Seeing strength in difference**

**A life affirming approach**

**Accessible information**

**Living Mino-bimaadiziwin**

**Identifying What is Ours**

**Humility**

**Working Together**

**Your contribution is valuable**

**The importance of land to health**

# Transformation: A Path Forward

(Gaudry & Lorenz, 2018)



*Indigenous work is inherently political and is overtly pro-Indigenous. This is because it is focused on changing the status quo and challenging unequal social and power relations between dominant non-Indigenous interests and subordinated Indigenous interests. Indigenous work raises critical questions about how power and control are mediated and given effect by State, institutional, and public structures and practices. It seeks to expose how power works to exclude and include in explicit, complicit, and implicit ways.*

*(Smith & Smith, 2018)*





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