Purposeful Partnership Framework



ISMP Canada seeks purposeful partners to collaborate on improving medication safety for Canadians. Our Purposeful Partnership Framework describes the structure, process, and intended outcomes for our work together and the resulting impact that we would not be able to realize independently.

The goal of synergistic actions with our partners is to reduce preventable harm from medications.



Foundational Elements

Partnerships are:

- Established through trust, communication, and collaboration
- Reflected through shared purpose and goals, aligned with ISMP Canada's mission and values
- Demonstrated through clear leadership roles, shared decision making, and mutually acceptable risk tolerance

Implementation and Monitoring

Partnerships generate:

- Mutual commitment of resources (in-kind and/or funding)
- Equity and clarity in roles and responsibilities of leadership and power balance
- Open and transparent communication
- Formalized agreements that include evidence-informed plans and measurable goals
- Measured progress toward goals and outcomes, achieved through synergistic actions
- Flexibility to evolve as new evidence is identified and opportunities arise

Impact

Partnerships demonstrate:

- Improved efficiency and increased organizational agility through connectivity and collaboration
- Benefits from the leveraging of organizational strengths and opportunities
- Increased knowledge, skills, and capacity in medication safety
- Advancement of quality improvement and research in medication safety
- Measurable reduction in preventable harm from medications



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is a national, independent, not-for-profit organization that purposefully partners with organizations, practitioners, consumers, and caregivers to advance medication safety in all healthcare settings.