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*I am a versatile and resourceful consultant specializing in **community-based research and evaluation**. I support clients in the fields of **education, health and social services**, helping them to better measure, understand and share the impact of their work. I use accessible and participatory methods that facilitate the inclusion of diverse stakeholders and promote their empowerment.*

*I am **friendly and diplomatic** and I have vast experience offering training, building partnerships and facilitating networks, committees and processes at local, provincial and pan-Canadian levels. I am **highly organized** and able to balance competing demands and to manage time effectively. I am **fluently multilingual** and I have developed an expertise in multilingual work processes.*

## Education

- 2010 PhD, Communication Studies, University of Calgary, Calgary
- 2004 MA, Media Studies, Concordia University, Montreal
- 2002 BFA, with distinction, Design Art, Concordia University, Montreal

## Languages

- English & French (fluent - spoken and written)
- Spanish (advanced - spoken and written)
- German (beginner - spoken)

## Research and Evaluation

I have strong analytical and research skills and experience using a range of methods including grey and academic literature reviews, online surveys, key informant interviews (in person and on the phone), focus groups, World Cafés, community mapping and other participatory techniques. I collaborate with my clients to develop pertinent and accessible evaluation processes, tools and reports, and I offer training on the collection, analysis and use of evaluation data. I have conducted research and evaluation for:

- 2018 **Canadian Parents for French** - Evaluation consultant for this pan-Canadian network of parents and -pres. volunteers who promote French Second Language learning through advocacy and educational activities for youth. I provide guidance and training to all stakeholders within the CPF Network to enhance a culture of performance measurement that draws from accessible evaluation methods
- 2018 **Ingenium - Canada Science and Technology Museum** - Outcomes and process evaluation of a -19 teaching resource on Canada's energy production, developed by Let's Talk Energy and the National Energy Board of Canada, geared towards grade 9 to 11 classrooms
- 2018 **ASST(e)Q (Trans Health Action)** - Development and implementation of a five-year evaluation plan -23 of Transport(e), a project that provides holistic support and services to trans sex workers in Montreal

- 2017 **Dr. Peter AIDS Foundation** - Community liaison with Quebec organizations and bilingual support -pres. for the pan-Canadian community of practice of supervised drug consumption service providers
- 2016 **Alliance ETIAM** - Development and implementation of a five-year evaluation plan for a \$2 million -22 project on HIV, HCV and STBBI education and prevention across Quebec
- 2015 **Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI)** - community consultation with -18 Francophone individuals and service providers to culturally adapt and translate trainings on gender-based violence, accessibility and positive spaces for immigrants and refugees in Ontario

I have a keen interest in multilingual work practices and processes and I have delivered presentations and workshops at the Assemblée de la francophonie de l'Ontario (2019); Rainbow Health Ontario Conference (2018); the Rendez-vous santé en français (2017); and the Health Promotion Ontario conference (2016).

## Workshop & Process Facilitation

In my teaching experiences at the university and community levels, I have developed and delivered over 200 workshops, courses, trainings and webinars to varied audiences including patient groups, community service providers, students, health-care practitioners and researchers. As a facilitator, I am able to foster engaging and accessible opportunities for consultation, process development and knowledge exchange.

- Delivery of trainings throughout Ontario to Francophone settlement service providers to increase their understanding of issues faced by LGBTQ2S+ newcomers and to build their capacity to create inclusive spaces, for the Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI) Positive Spaces Initiative
- Facilitation of the foundational meeting of the Global PKU Organization, a multilingual gathering of national PKU groups and parents to create an international body, 4 days in King City (18 participants)
- Event facilitation and development of the final reports for the first two annual summits on Drug Pricing Policy in Canada: Mobilizing Patients to Action, convened by the Canadian Cancer Survivor Network, Save Your Skin Foundation and Ontario Schizophrenia Society, 2 days in Toronto (100 participants);

## Volunteering

Group Member	(2017-19)	Rainbow New Beginnings, sponsorship group of LGBTQ+ refugees, Ottawa
Board Member	(2016-19)	BRAS Outaouais, Gatineau (regional HIV & harm reduction organization)
Event volunteer	(2012)	Rock Camp for Girls / Camp Rock pour les filles, Ottawa
Support Volunteer	(2006-07)	Society for Women and AIDS in Africa (SWAA), Accra, Ghana
Support Volunteer	(2004-06)	HIV Community Link, Calgary
Health Promoter	(2002)	Association nigérienne pour le bien-être familial, Niamey, Niger