

KNOWLEDGE

Understand the historical and current colonial context and how this impacts Indigenous communities and your own power and privilege

ENGAGE

Engagement with Indigenous peoples should be on a nation-to-nation basis. This includes holding distinct engagement sessions

RECIPROCITY

Engagement should be mutually beneficial and consider the values and priorities of both SSHA and Indigenous communities and organizations

BENEFITS

Engagement should do no harm and benefit Indigenous communities

CO-CREATION

“Nothing about us without us.” Policy and program development should be Indigenous-led or co-created in recognition of Indigenous peoples’ right to self-determination

10 TIPS for Engagement with Indigenous Partners

RELATIONSHIPS

Good engagement is a process that focusses on relationship building

BEGIN EARLY

Engagement should begin early and continue throughout all stages of your project

UNDERSTAND

Engagement is not outcome-based and will not necessarily result in Indigenous peoples supporting your work

COMMUNITY

Community engagement is a must. There is no one individual who represents the collective opinions of Indigenous peoples

OPENNESS

Be clear and transparent about time and resource constraints

