



Applied Research Methods for Studying HiAP Implementation at the Local Level
Towards Sustainable Societies - Health in All Policies and Social Determinants of Health

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HiAP Analysis using Realist Methods ON International Case Studies

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Results of a Realist-Informed Scoping Review of the Literature

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1. Conceptual framework of HiAP
2. Scoping review of ISA for health equity
3. 16 case studies of HiAP
4. Briefing note on economic assessment of HiAP
5. HiAP research library



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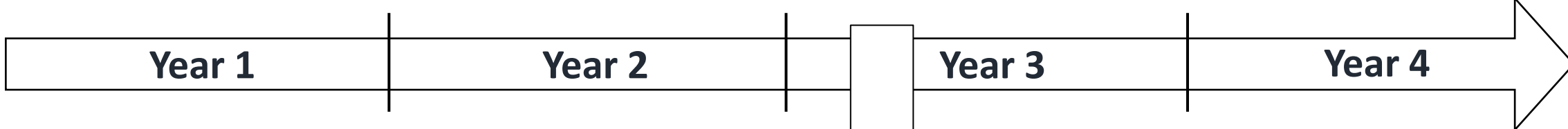
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Foci of case studies

- Understanding how, why and under what circumstances HiAP implementation was influenced by:
 - the local mandate for intersectoral action;
 - leadership;
 - the provincial government; and
 - conflict between members.
- Investigation of early versus later stages of collaboration separately (see: Storm et al, 2014)

**STREAM 1
CASE STUDIES**



Case Study Preparation

Conduct 5 Local HiAP Case Studies –
Data Collection

Conduct 5 Local HiAP Case Stud
Data Analysis

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Local Case Studies –
Cross-Case
Synthesis

Scientific Review
on Policy Briefs

Draft Design
of Policy
Briefs

Write Local Policy
Briefs

Disseminate
Cross-Case
Successful
Practices

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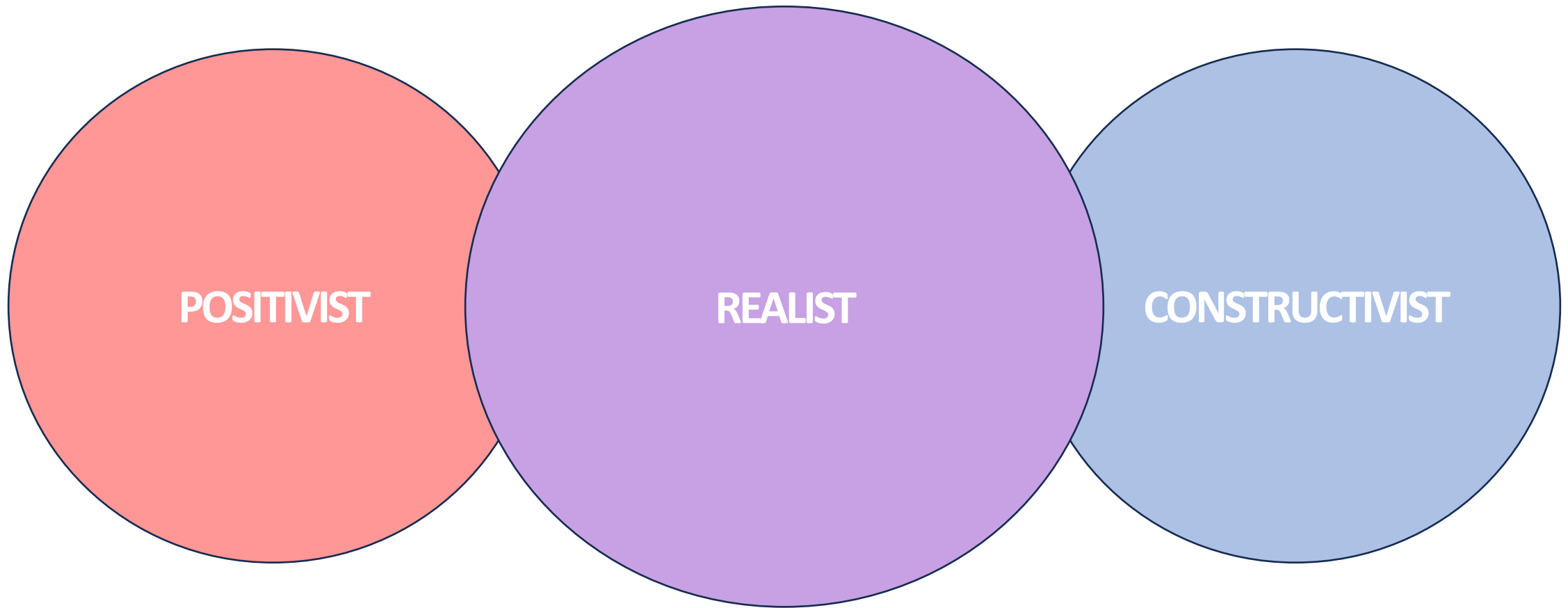
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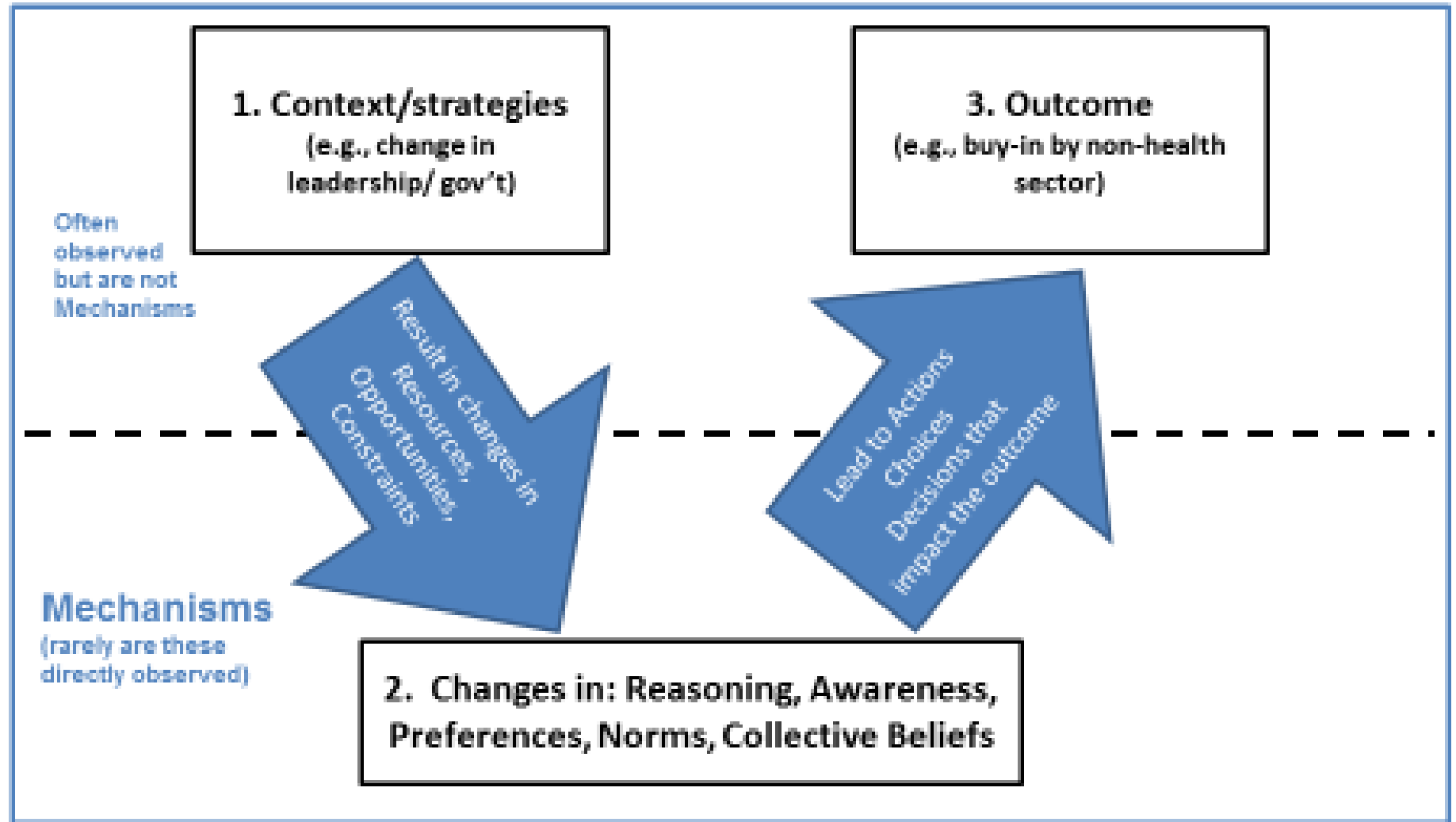
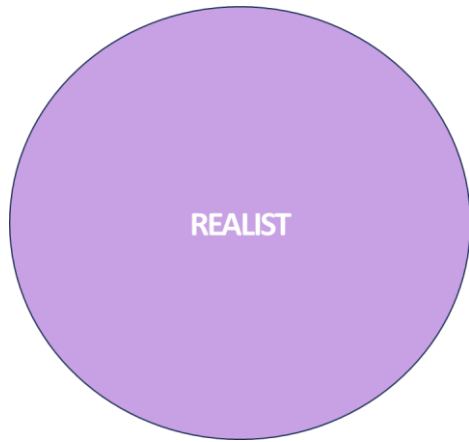
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de santé publique
Québec







Adapted from Wong et al., 2013

CsMO = Context - Strategy - Mechanism - Outcome

C: A HiAP initiative with strong leadership from a mayor who wants to respect the time of committee members

S: Full-time staff largely dedicated to managing HiAP committee who is co-located in the Mayor's office

M1: The HiAP manager can prioritize their effort to meet the demands of HiAP work

O1: Efficient meetings, positive experience of members

M2: Having the Mayor and the HiAP manager work so closely together demonstrates the importance of HiAP to partners

O2: On-going commitment to the committee

M3: The HiAP manager has direct access to the Mayor and can thus communicate with partners on behalf of the Mayor in a timely manner and with legitimacy

O3: Progress on implementation

HARMONICS: Protocol for Coding and Analysis

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1. Interview guide focused on learning about mechanisms related to our areas of interest
2. Training of interviewers to identify when mechanisms are being discussed (or not), and to probe for details
3. Analysis protocol focused on articulating CsMOs and then triangulating on mechanisms

	<i>Elgin- St. Thomas</i>	<i>Chatham- Kent</i>	<i>Peterborough</i>	<i>Sherbrooke</i>	<i>Les Maskoutains</i>
Participant Institution					
<i>Academic</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Community/Non-Profit</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Government (Politician)</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Government (Civil Servant)</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Private/For-Profit</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Total	10	13	13	12	14
Literature	18	19	16	13	21
CsMOs					
<i>Thick</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>73</i>
<i>Thin</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>22</i>
Total	103	68	77	60	95

Policy brief recommendation - *example*

Recommendation: Ensure there are dedicated staff embedded with leadership who are knowledgeable about healthy public policy and skilled in facilitating meetings to keep members engaged.

The mayor's office provided a dedicated administrative lead for the CLC with public health expertise, which kept members engaged in the CLC in several ways.

The lead's knowledge of relevant topics, like healthy public policy, helped them work with the mayor to set the agenda for CLC meetings in a strategic way; and they were skilled at running meetings so that current priorities were addressed. This contributed to efficient and productive meetings, which was appreciated by members.

Having an administrative lead helped take some of the heavy lifting of the CLC work from members. For example, the administrative lead would take on some of the work needed between meetings, which allowed members to focus on participating in meetings in a way that was most beneficial for their respective organizations.

Having direct access to the mayor enabled the administrative lead to communicate with partners on behalf of the mayor in a timely manner and with legitimacy, which demonstrated to members that the CLC was a political priority and strengthened their commitment to CLC.

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