

USEFUL INTERNET SITES ON EVALUATION

- 1) www.evaluationcanada.ca for Canadian Evaluation Society (CES): information on the Annual (national) CES Conference, evaluation training opportunities being provided by CES and other private organizations, evaluation issues and CES position papers (e.g. professional development of evaluators), the CES Essential Skills Series, the Canadian Journal of Program Evaluation, other evaluation organizations (e.g. American Evaluation Society), database of “grey literature” of evaluation (e.g. unpublished conference papers, evaluation reports), annual student case competition, past issues of the CES Newsletter,
- 2) <http://ncc.evaluationcanada.ca> for the CES-NCC (National Capital Chapter); information on local training events and the annual CES-NCC Conference, some information CES-NCC ‘s efforts to assist in building local evaluation capacity for NGOs
- 3) <http://www.evaluationontario.ca/> for the website for the CES Ontario Chapter that includes: information on other evaluation training events in Ontario (outside of the National Capital Region), annual CES Ontario Chapter Conference, useful evaluation resources including: Evaluation Guidelines and Standards, evaluation articles by CES Ontario members, a list of some of the college and university courses in evaluation from Ontario, useful evaluation resources, an excellent set of links to other useful evaluation sites on the Internet including some Ontario Ministries
- 4) www.smartrisk.ca (go to the Practitioner page, Evaluation tab): website for the SMARTRISK Foundation (of Canada) including: information on useful evaluation methods (e.g. How to select an external evaluation consultant? How to develop internal evaluation capacity? How to evaluate training programs?) and some actual evaluation tools and the Program Evaluation Toolkit – all of these useful items can be downloaded for free
- 5) <http://eval.org/> information many of the same items as the CES website from an American perspective including: a useful document titled, “Guiding Principles for Evaluators”
- 6) <http://www.evaluationontario.ca/Events/EssentialSkillsSeries.html> for detailed information on the CES Essential Skills Series (designed for new evaluators)
- 7) <http://aix1.uottawa.ca/~nedwards/chru/index.html> for the website of the Community Health Research Unit (University of Ottawa) that includes access to a PE Toolkit designed for practitioners in the health sector (e.g. nurses) available for sale @ \$30

- 8) <http://www.sagepub.com/home.nav?level1=Course1007&level2=Course1013&currTree=Courses> for the specific webpage on evaluation in the website for Sage Publications, who are the absolute best source of books on evaluation methods, tools, theories and training (e.g. Utilization-Focused Evaluation by Michael Quinn Patton, Internal Evaluation by Arnold Love)
- 9) <http://ec.wmich.edu/glossary/index.htm> for a “Glossary” of more than 500 terms used in the evaluation field, provided by the Evaluation Centre at Western Michigan University
- 10) <http://www.npgoodpractice.org/> for the website of the Foundation which has a very useful publication titled, Non-Profit Good Practice Guide that included a section on the recommended internal evaluation capacities for not-for-profit organizations
- 11) <http://www.questionpro.com/> for access to the website of a private company that sells services for creating and using online survey. This is a very useful tool for the conduct of low cost online surveys for evaluation purposes (e.g. survey of clients, surveys of groups for which you have a list of email addresses)
- 12) http://www.spcottawa.on.ca/CBRNO_website/home_cbrno.htm for the website of the Community-Based Research Network of Ottawa (part of the Ottawa Social Planning Council) that includes useful information on: Ottawa-based evaluation research projects and tools, a database of local research studies and a listing of low costs courses (\$60 for a half-day) on a number of basic evaluation skills areas that program managers and staff would find valuable (e.g. doing focus groups, doing evaluation interviews, performing literature reviews, how to develop client satisfaction tools)
- 13) <http://www.gse.harvard.edu/hfrp/eval.html> for the website of the Evaluation Exchange (at Harvard University), a free service that provides access to lots of information for evaluators at all levels and a large list of downloadable (free) publications on evaluation topics including: professional development, learning organizations, using technology)
- 14) <http://www.wkkf.org/default.aspx?tabid=75&CID=281&NID=61&LanguageID=0> for online access to the W. K. Kellogg Foundation’s very useful PE Toolkit that is specifically designed for use by not-for-profit organizations
- 15) <http://www.offordcentre.com/rsd/hac/index.html> for the website of the Offord Centre for Child Studies (McMaster University) and access to a (22 page) program evaluation toolkit for community youth programmers
- 16) <http://www.wmich.edu/evalctr/checklists/> for the website of the University of Western Michigan’s Centre for Evaluation which provides access to a collection of useful checklist