

Research translation & policy drivers in ageing

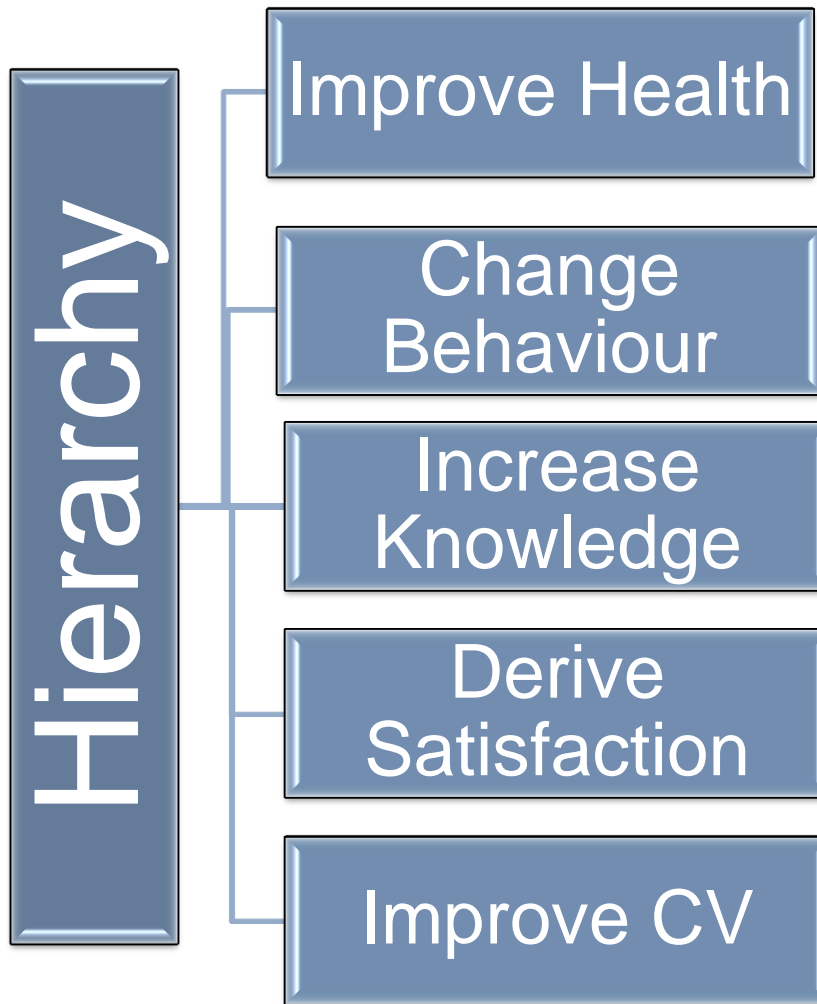
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Overview of presentation

- ▷ Why we undertake research
- ▷ Policy
- ▷ Translation - Communication, Connections and Cooperation
- ▷ Concluding comments

Why Undertake Research?



Adapted from Kramer MS

Demonstrating impact beyond academia



HEI's must demonstrate the impact of their research defined as:

“an effect on, change or benefit to the economy, society, environment or quality of life, beyond academia”.

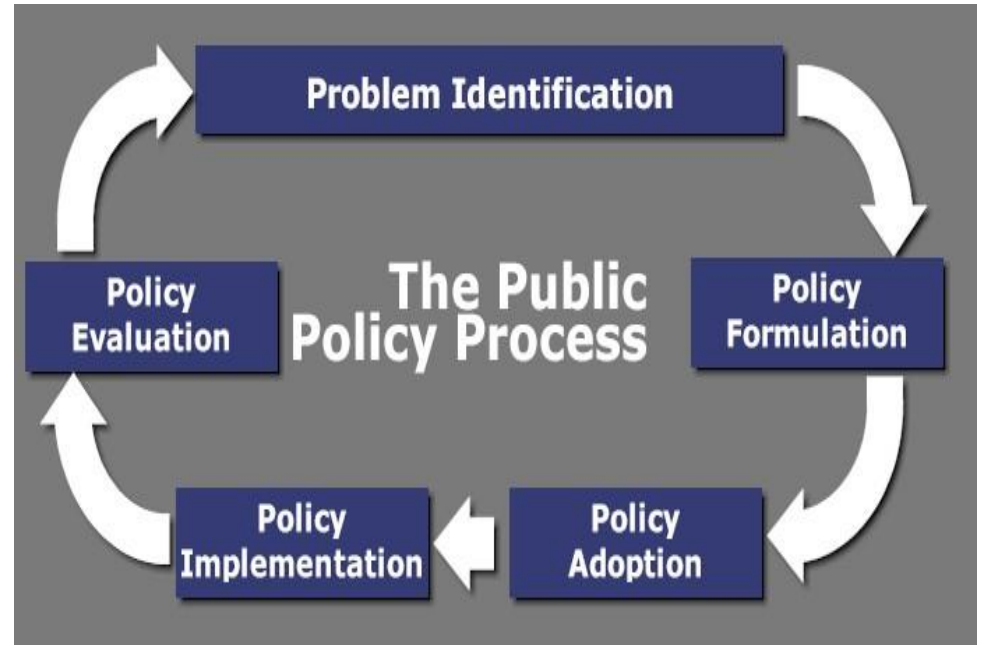
The Research Excellence Framework

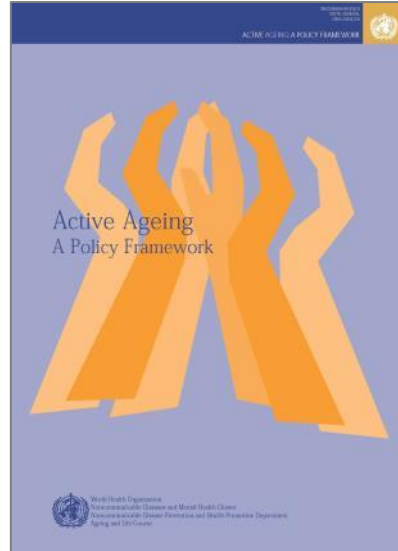
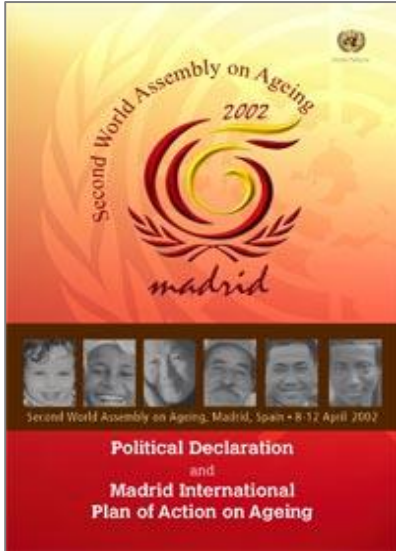
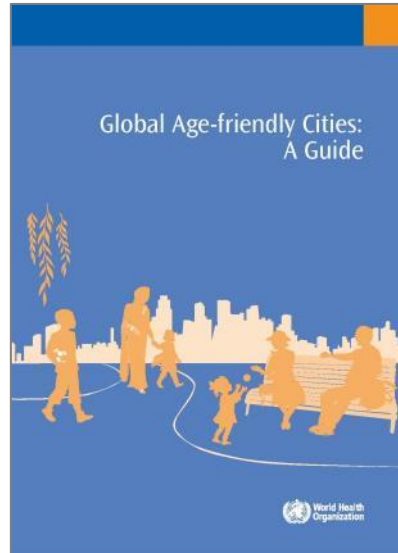
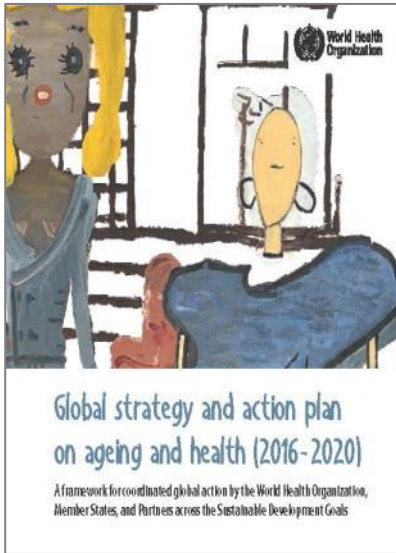


What is policy making?

“Public policy making can be characterised as a dynamic, complex, and interactive system through which public problems are identified and countered by creating new public policy or by reforming existing public policy.”

Peter John (1998):





Policy level – International, EU & UK policy

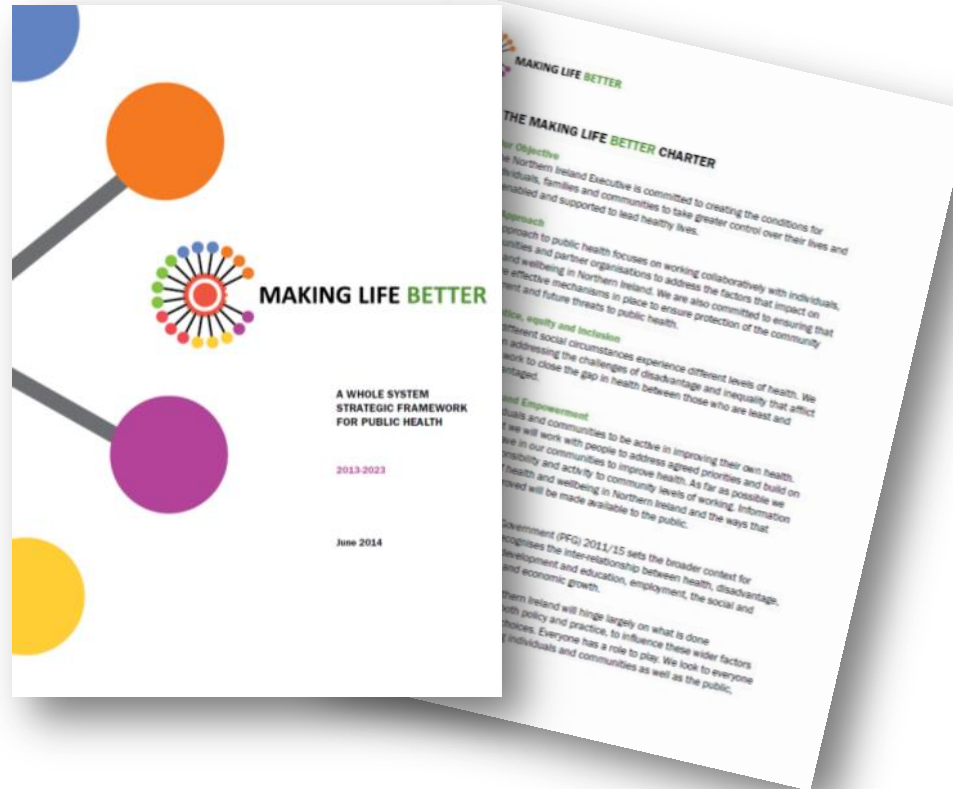
- ▷ Older Americans Act (1965)
- ▷ Vienna International Plan of Action on Ageing (1983)
- ▷ The United Nations Principles for Older Persons (UN General Assembly Resolution 46/91 - 1991)
- ▷ European Year of the Elderly and of Solidarity between Generations (1993)
- ▷ Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (UN 2002) - global agreement
- ▷ WHO - Active Ageing: A Policy Framework (WHO 2002)
- ▷ Age-friendly Cities Programme (WHO 2006)
- ▷ UN General Assembly: Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing (UN 2010)
- ▷ Commissioner of older people for Wales 2007
- ▷ European Year for Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations (2012)
- ▷ Article 25 - The rights of the elderly (EU 2012)
- ▷ WHO Global strategy and action plan on ageing and health 2016-2020 (2015)



Ageing relevant policy in Northern Ireland


- ▷ Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act (1998)
- ▷ Ageing in an inclusive society (2005)
- ▷ Lifetime Opportunities: Government's Anti-Poverty and Social Inclusion Strategy (2007)
- ▷ Commissioner for Older People in NI (2012)
- ▷ Active Ageing Strategy (2016)
- ▷ Goods, Facilities and Services date TBC

Overarching Public Health Framework



Six models of research use in policy making

- ▷ Classic
- ▷ Problem-solving
- ▷ Interactive model
- ▷ Enlightenment
- ▷ Political
- ▷ Tactical

Health Research Policy and Systems 

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The utilisation of health research in policy-making: concepts, examples and methods of assessment
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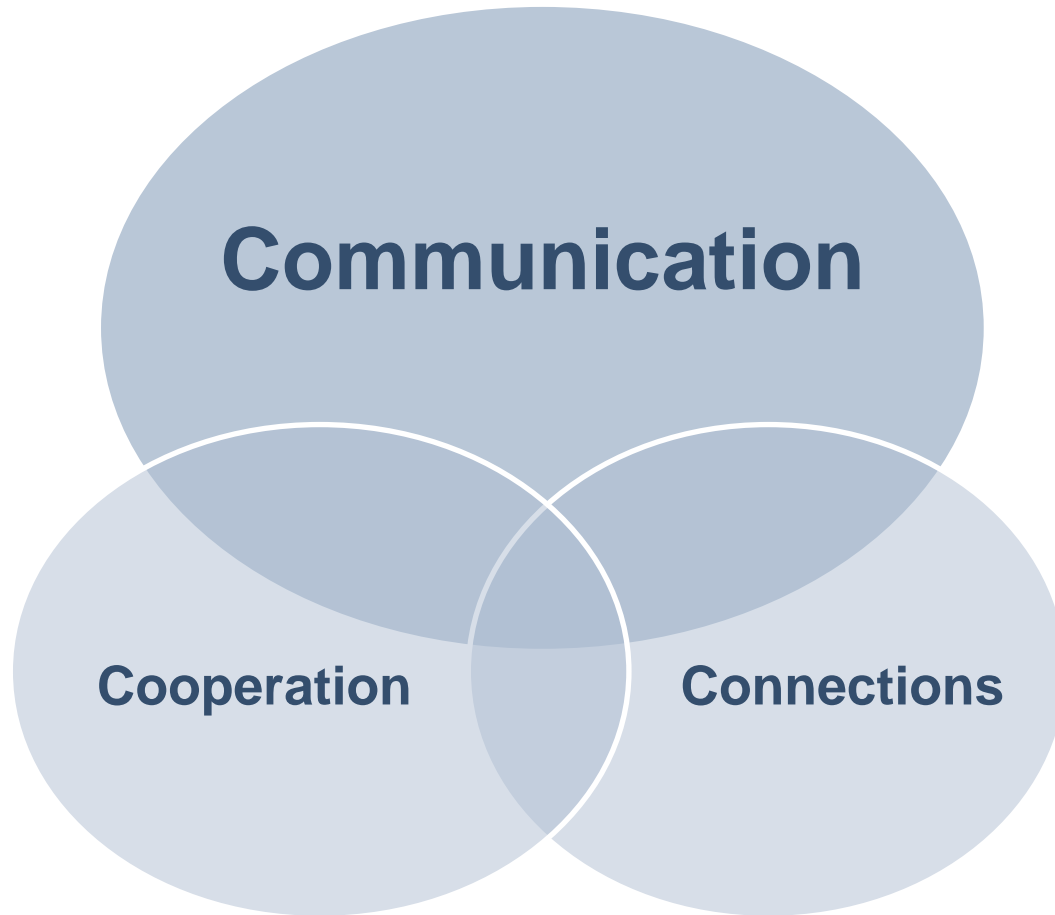
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Hanney et al. (2003)



Translation a process



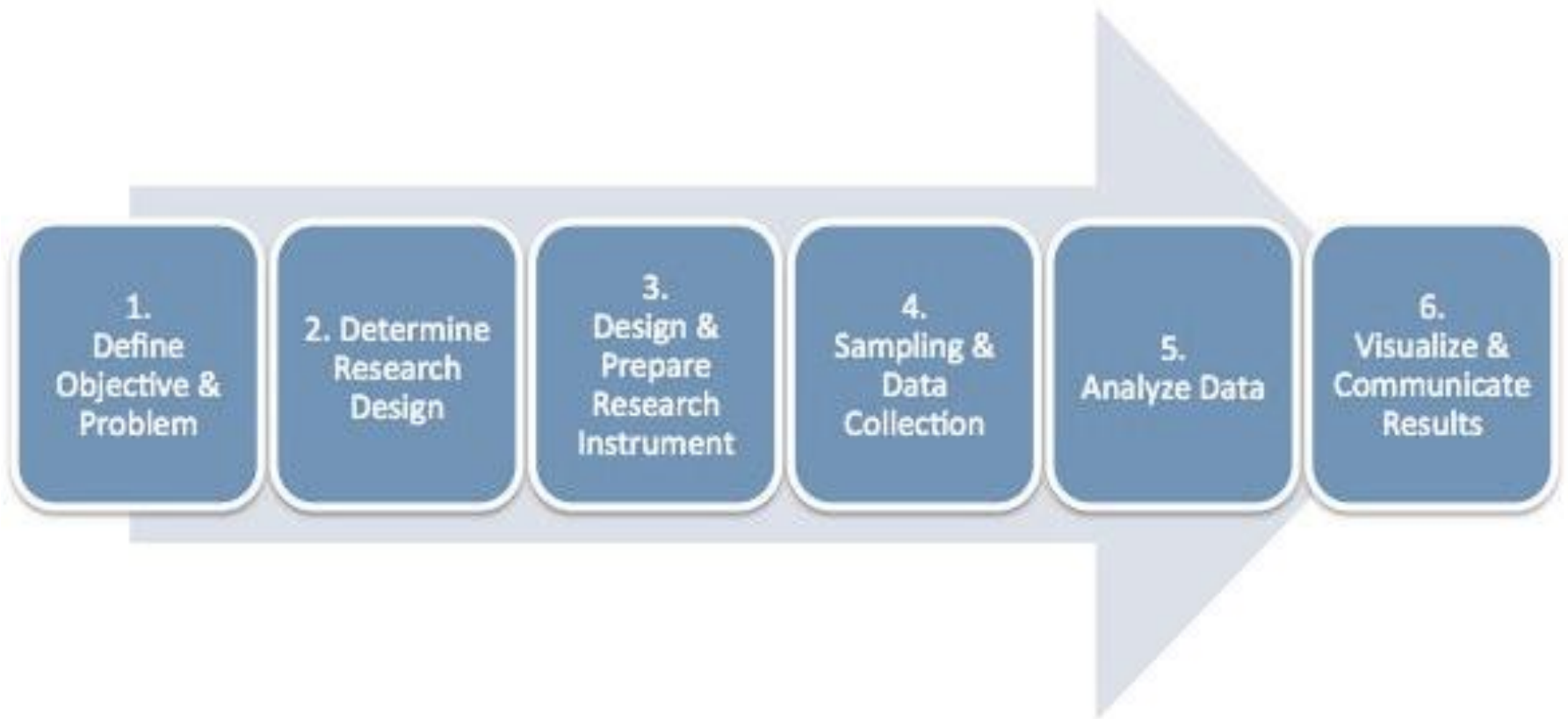
Translation a process = Communication

Research translation is the process whereby knowledge is passed anywhere along the translational pathway i.e. research findings are translated into practice, policy or further research

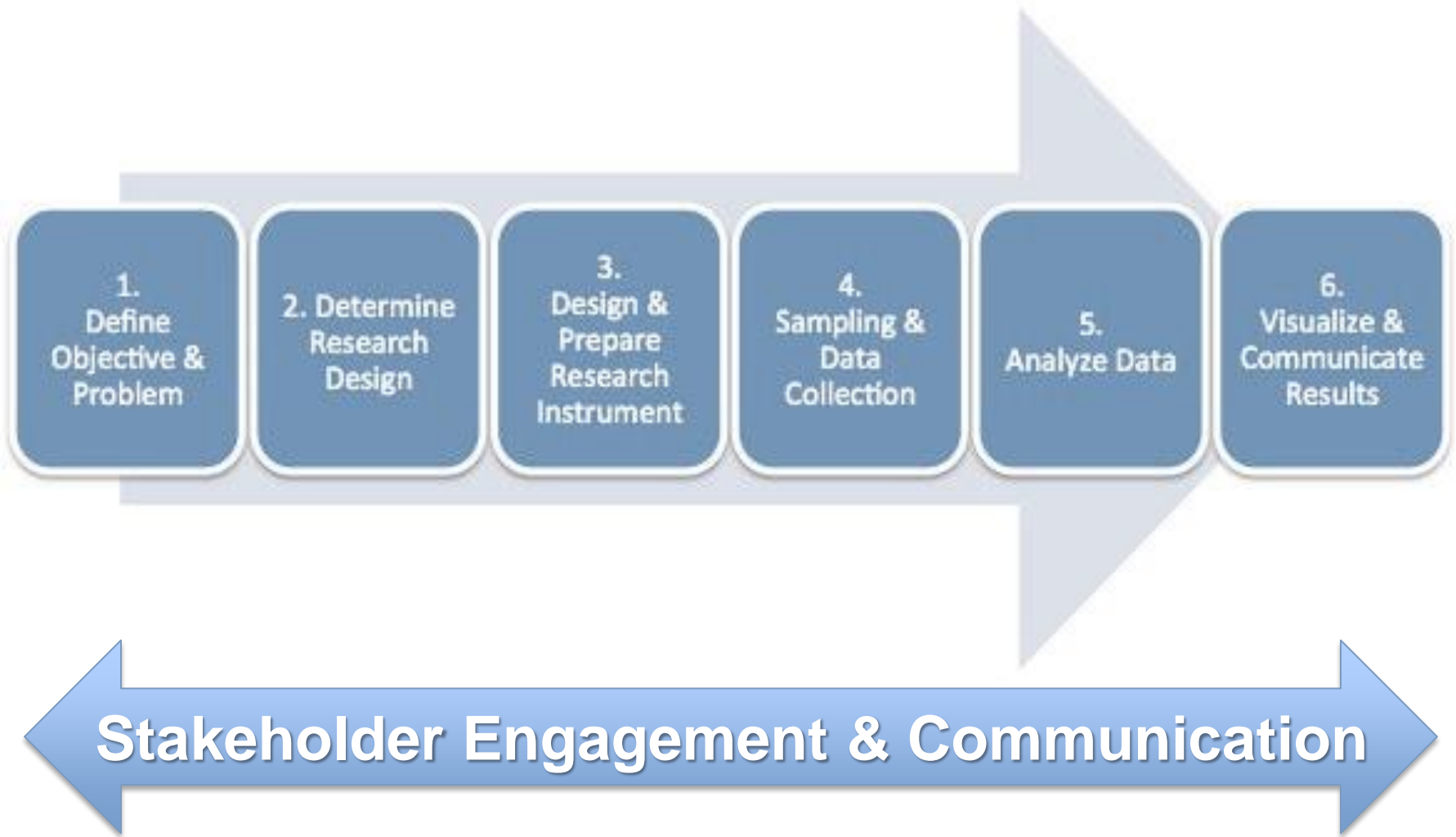
(Hiscock citing Davidson, 2011)



A Traditional Research Process



Why leave sharing to the end?



Connection, co-operation and networking

Building Your Convoy



Conditions & Interests



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Rural Community Network
SUPPORTING RURAL COMMUNITIES



Concluding remarks

- ▷ Keep focused on how can we best combine academic research expertise with the 'needs' of both today's and tomorrow's older people.
- ▷ Ageing research flourishes when the research community connects with the relevant players from government, voluntary and community sector, business and older people themselves.
- ▷ Complex issues but simple messages - support the policy community and wider society by translating the evidence for policy and practice.

Thank you

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