# Working with Communities to Develop Research Agendas

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# **CINE Governing Board Meeting**

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**Assembly of First Nations** 



Council of Yukon First Nations



**Dene Nation** 



**Inuit Circumpolar Conference** 



Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami



**Métis Nation (NWT)** 



**Mohawk Council of Kahnawake** 



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#### Sites of CINE Research •, Courses A, and Workshops

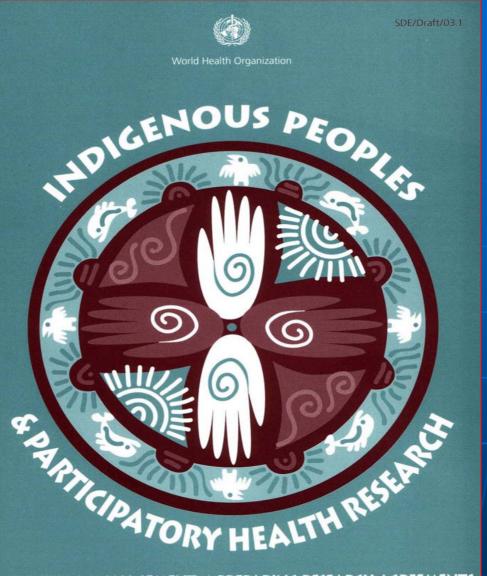


### Participatory Methods Used by CINE

 Discussions and support from Aboriginal organizations

- Consultation on research process and funding
- Research agreements with each community, with detail on responsibilities of local leaders and researchers
- Community members employed in research data and sample collection
- Informed consent of individual participants

 Discussion of progress and results with communities before publication and media



PLANNING & MANAGEMENT / PREPARING RESEARCH AGREEMENTS



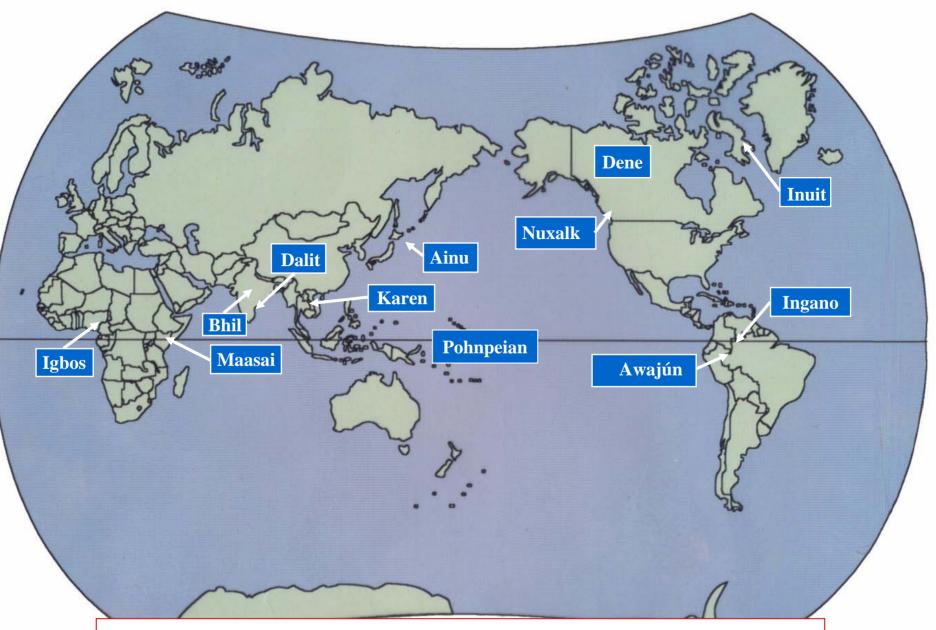
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# Partnership and Joint Ownership of the Research:

#### Builds trust

 Leads to acceptance of duties and responsibilities in the research process

Ensures an approach to maximize participation and data quality, and return of results and benefits



**CINE Indigenous Peoples' case study areas** 

With international work, partnerships are more complex

- Within CINE

- With CINE and academic partners in case study areas

- With academic partners, CINE and communities

## The Peruvian Amazon- Awajún





# Awajún









## Awajún, Peru





## Thailand, Karen

## Focus Group in Rai Pa







4 translations required for interviews: Sichuan Miao, China

#### BHIL Tribal Leaders, Gujarat, India



#### **IN CONCLUSION:**

 Good practice of health research with Indigenous Peoples

- Takes account of cultural differences
- Is based in mutual respect

Is beneficial and acceptable to both the Indigenous People and the Research Institution

 Is a collaboration with effort to balance interests, responsibilities, and benefits of Indigenous Peoples and the Research Institutions

Finds sustainable solutions

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