

# Supporting Indigenous Research Proposal Development: A quick guide



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## 1 A BASIC GUIDE TO THE "R" PRINCIPLES OF INDIGENOUS RESEARCH

There are many layers and depths to which these concepts are embodied within Indigenous research. When preparing or reviewing a research project proposal, here are some examples of questions to ask:



### Representation

Is there a community partner involved in the project?



### Reciprocity

How does the community benefit from this research?



### Relevance

Does the project align with community priorities and interest and does the community consider this research to be beneficial?



### Respect

Is the project potentially paternalistic or extractive? Have cultural protocols been appropriately incorporated e.g., OCAP®, CARE principles?



### Relationship

Have the proposal and the project vision been informed through established relationships?



### Responsibility

Who or what informs the research paradigm, community involvement, and project methodology?



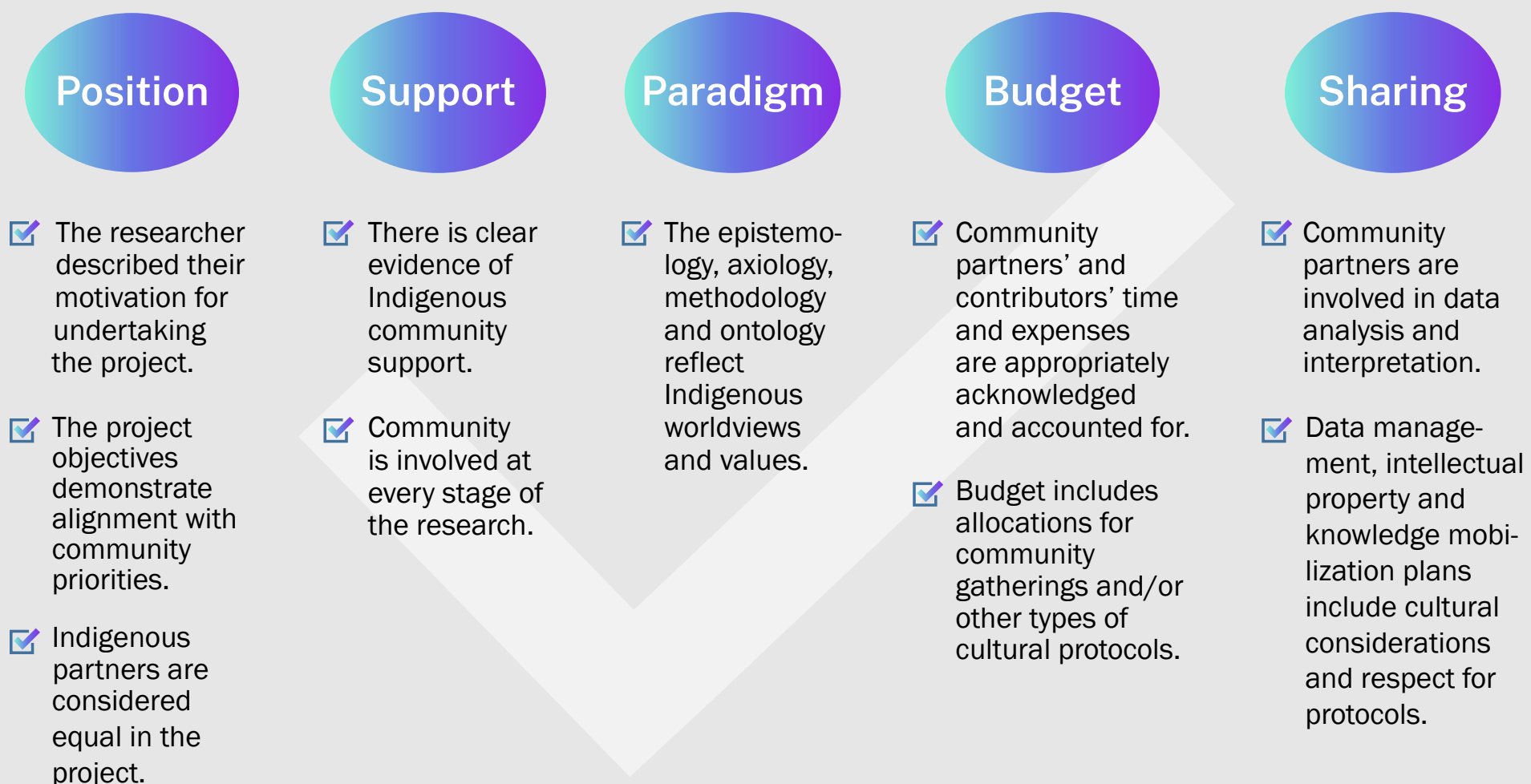
## 2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT *(adapted from TCPS 9.1)*

A research project requires community engagement when...



In addition to these examples, there could be other situations that require community engagement, so if you're unsure, it's better to reach out to ask!

## 3 MORE THAN A CHECKLIST



For more information and resources please visit:

<https://www.dal.ca/dept/research-services/resources/indigenous-research-resources.html>

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