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MAPPING THE VOYAGE: THE SEARCH FOR EVIDENCE

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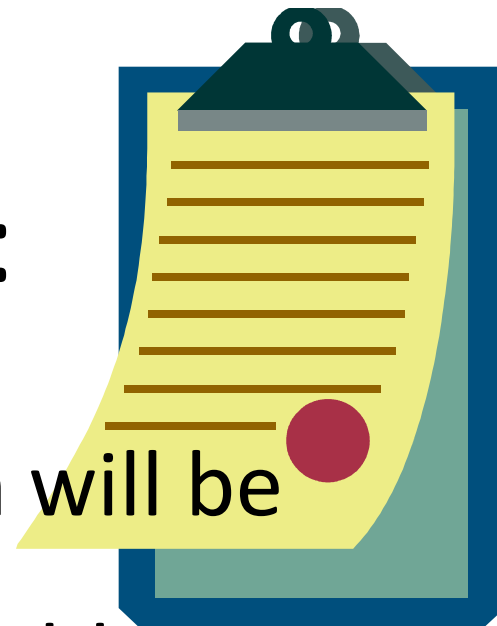
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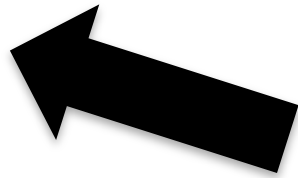


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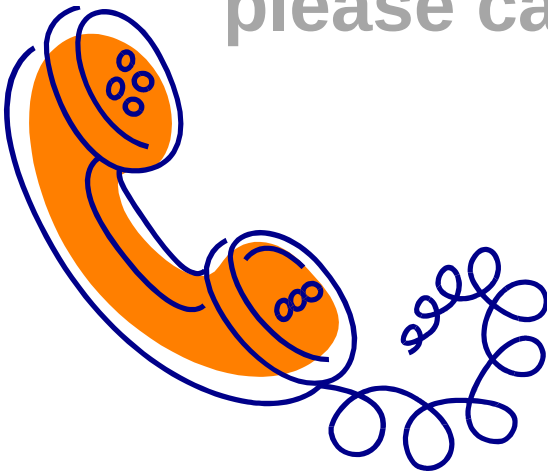


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Webinar Objectives

In this webinar you'll learn about the results of EENet's survey of stakeholder preferences.

Specifically, the presenters will:

- describe stakeholder preferences with respect to evidence sources
- depict the network of stakeholders for MHA in Ontario
- discuss the use of social network analysis as a tool to support evaluation of KT

Agenda

1. EENet
2. Methods
3. Results
4. Evidence
5. Limitations
6. Lessons Learned
7. Q&A

1. What is EENet?

We connect people and evidence

Evidence Exchange Network (EENet) is knowledge exchange network that brings together mental health and addictions stakeholders from across Ontario.



EENet's goals

- Make Ontario's mental health and addictions system more evidence-informed
- Bring diverse stakeholders together to share evidence
- Encourage the creation of evidence that responds to needs in the system
- Help people to make use of evidence

EENet

- Brokers connections across stakeholders of the mental health and addictions system
- Partners with organizations and initiatives to facilitate the flow of relevant evidence using a “network of networks” approach
- Builds capacity in the system to access and use evidence



Why Social Network Analysis?

1. To better understand how EENet works (or doesn't work) as a knowledge exchange vehicle
2. To understand what evidence sources are being used by different MHA stakeholders in Ontario
3. To analyze the placement and reach of MHA evidence sources and how stakeholders are connected via the evidence sources they consult
4. To place EENet within the broader context of evidence sources in Ontario

2. Methods



What is SNA?

- Set of methods used for mapping, measuring and analyzing the relationships between members of a network (e.g., people, groups, organizations)
- Used to understand how different members are working together, sharing resources, or communicating across a network

Source: Blanchet & James, 2011

Methods

- Online survey of stakeholders to elicit:
 - Descriptive data
 - Network data
- Purposive sampling, including anyone in Ontario working in mental health and addictions
- Participation invited via multiple communication channels

Methods (cont.)

From a list of 93 evidence sources, respondents identified:

- the sources they used in the past 12 months
- their top 5 sources in terms of usefulness
- their top 5 sources in terms of trustworthiness

3. Results

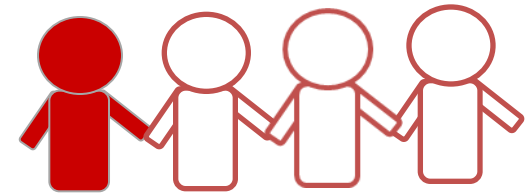
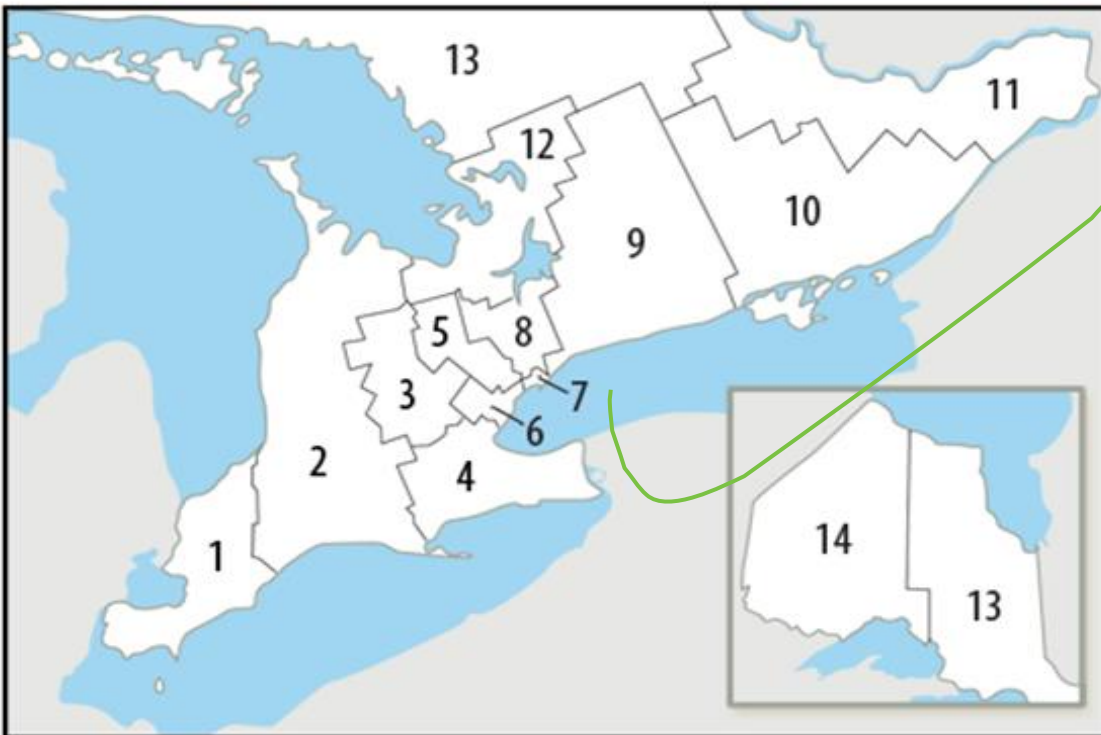


Groups



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| 5. <u>Central West</u> | 12. <u>North Simcoe Muskoka</u> |
| 6. <u>Mississauga Halton</u> | 13. <u>North East</u> |
| 7. <u>Toronto Central</u> | 14. <u>North West</u> |



1 of 4
respondents
were from
Toronto
Central

4. Evidence



Research +

Professional expertise +

The lived experience of people and
families +

Cultural and traditional knowledge =

EVIDENCE

Adapted from: Kitson, et al. (1998). Enabling the implementation of evidence based practice: a conceptual framework.

Reasons to seek evidence

Awareness Educational Research
Support
Mental Health
Service
Program
Help
Providers' Practice
Inform Program Evaluations
Advocate
Evidence
Academic Research
Decision Making
Better
Change



Newsletter



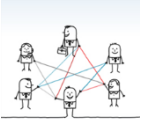
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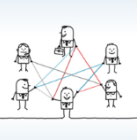
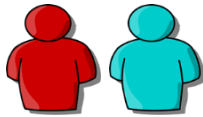
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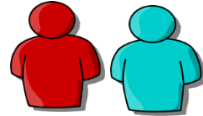
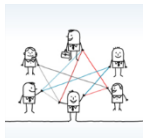
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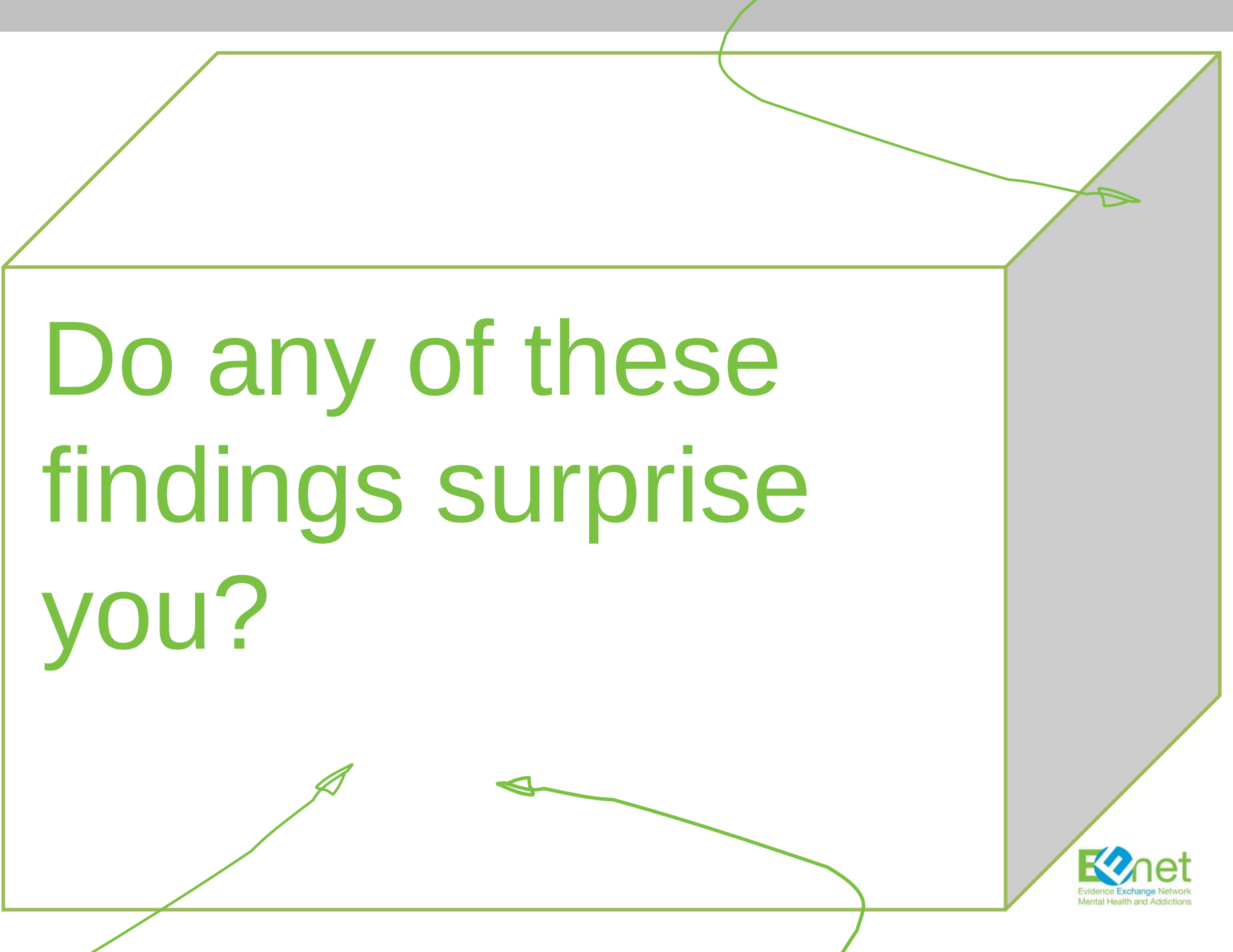
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3.  Colleagues	8.  EEnet Evidence Exchange Network Mental Health and Addictions
4.  Canadian Mental Health Association Ontario	9.  Health Canada Santé Canada
5.  Public Health Agency of Canada Canadian Best Practices Portal Best Practice and Guideline databases	10.  Ontario

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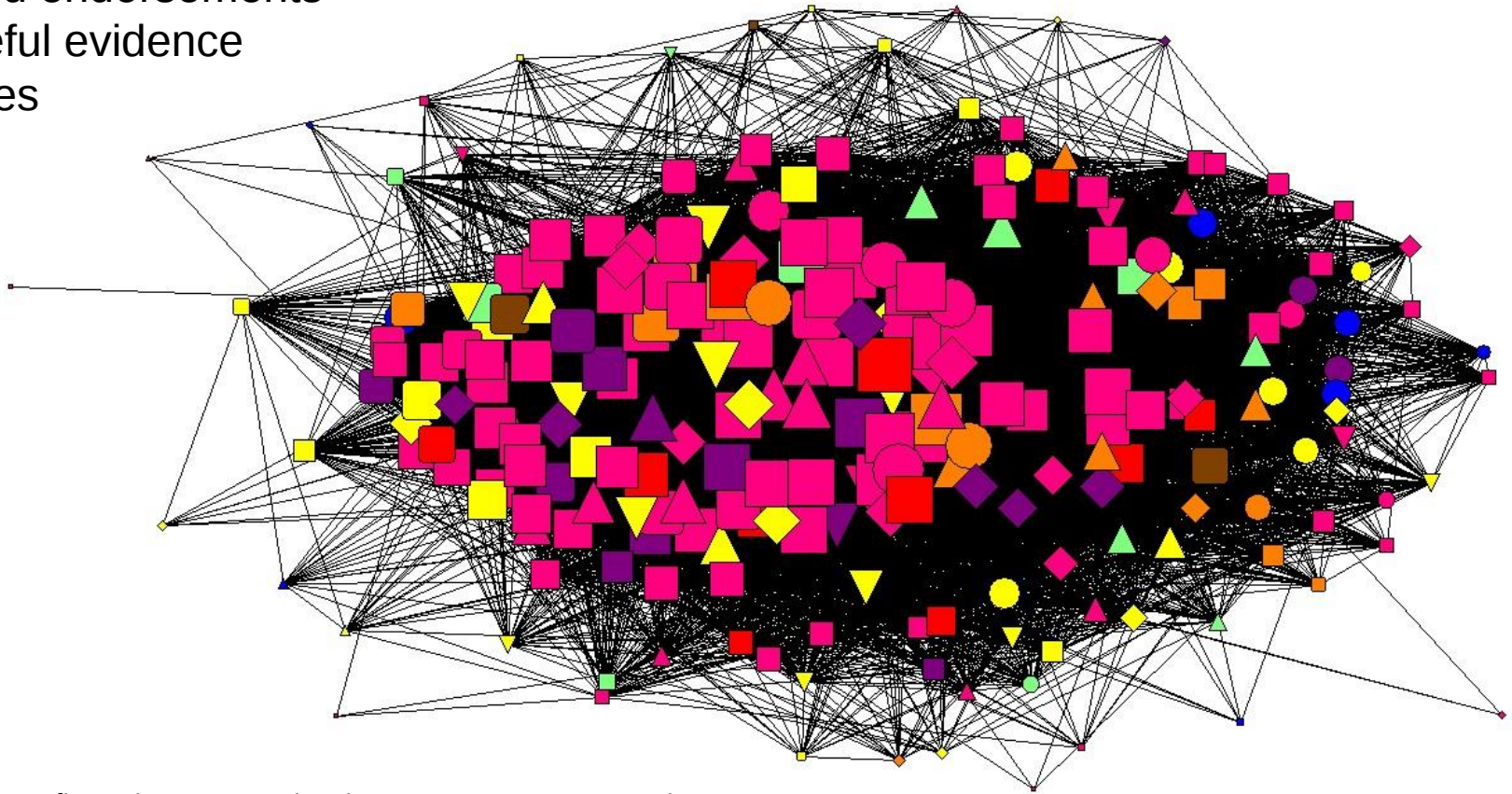
Do any of these
findings surprise
you?

Some observations

- Stakeholders use a variety of different evidence sources
- Scholarly journals are ranked as more trustworthy than useful and even less utilized – this highlights the value of knowledge translation
- Colleagues are ranked as more useful than trustworthy
- EENet is on the map!

Stakeholders

Shared endorsements
of useful evidence
sources

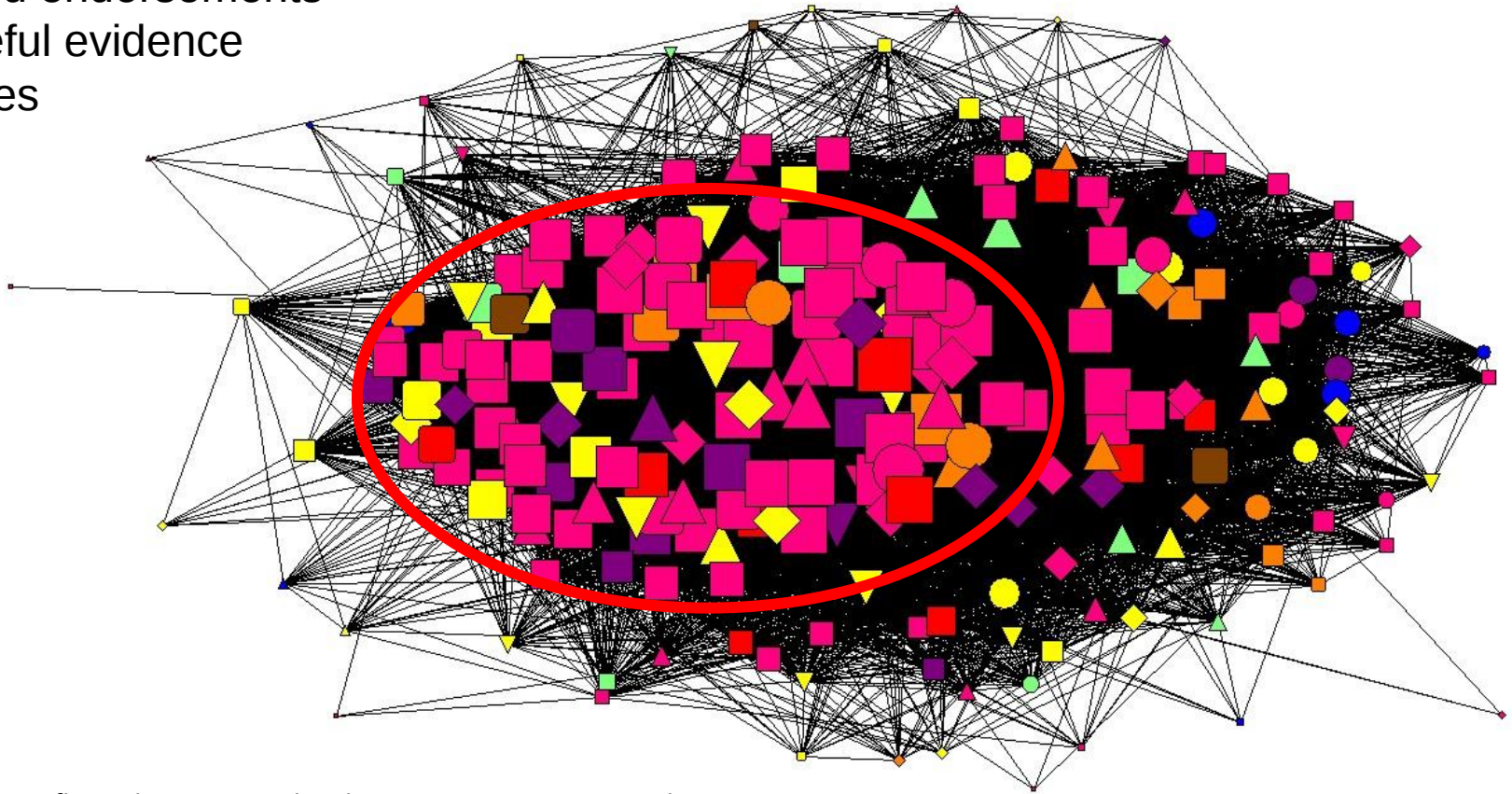


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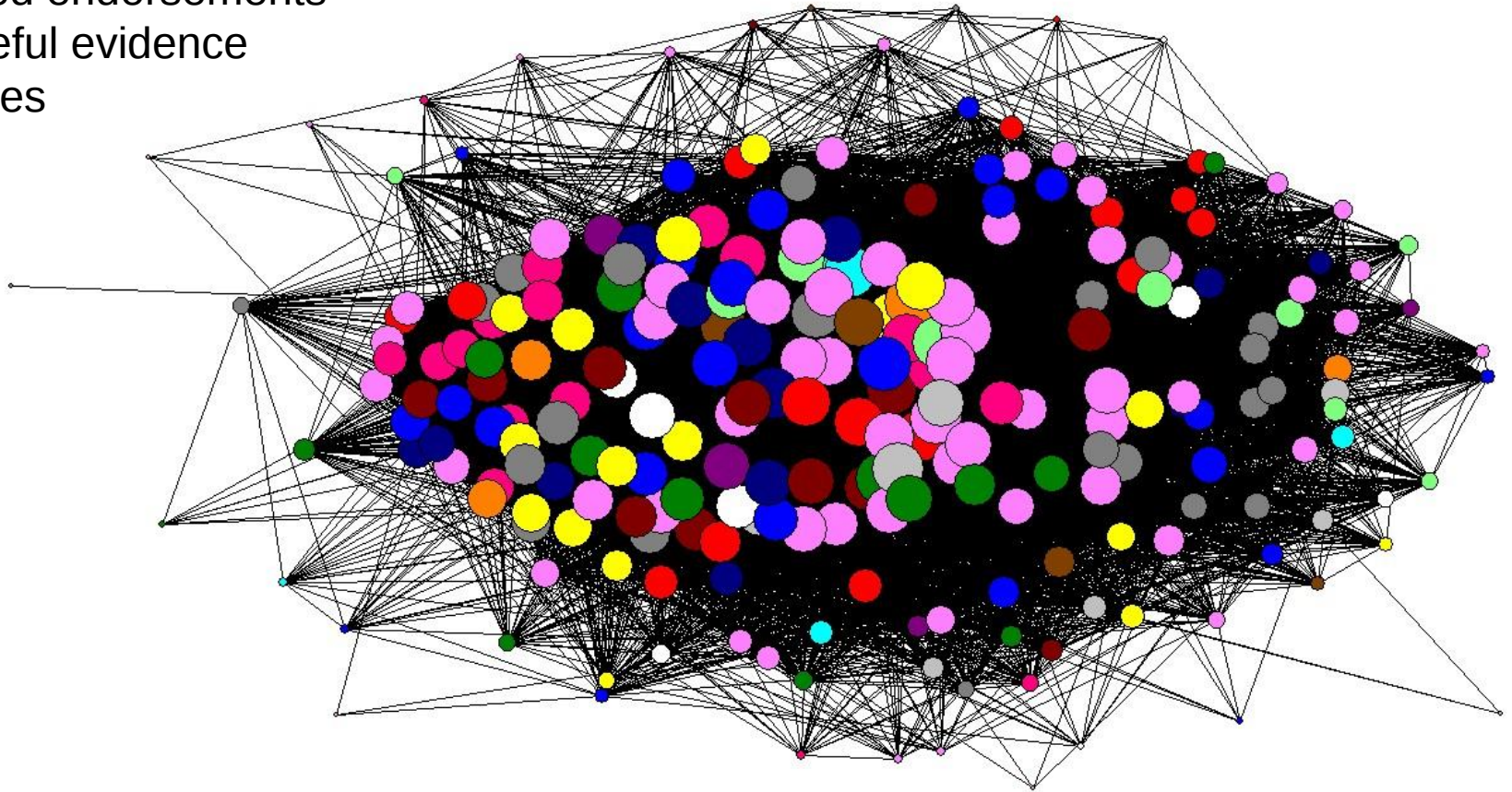


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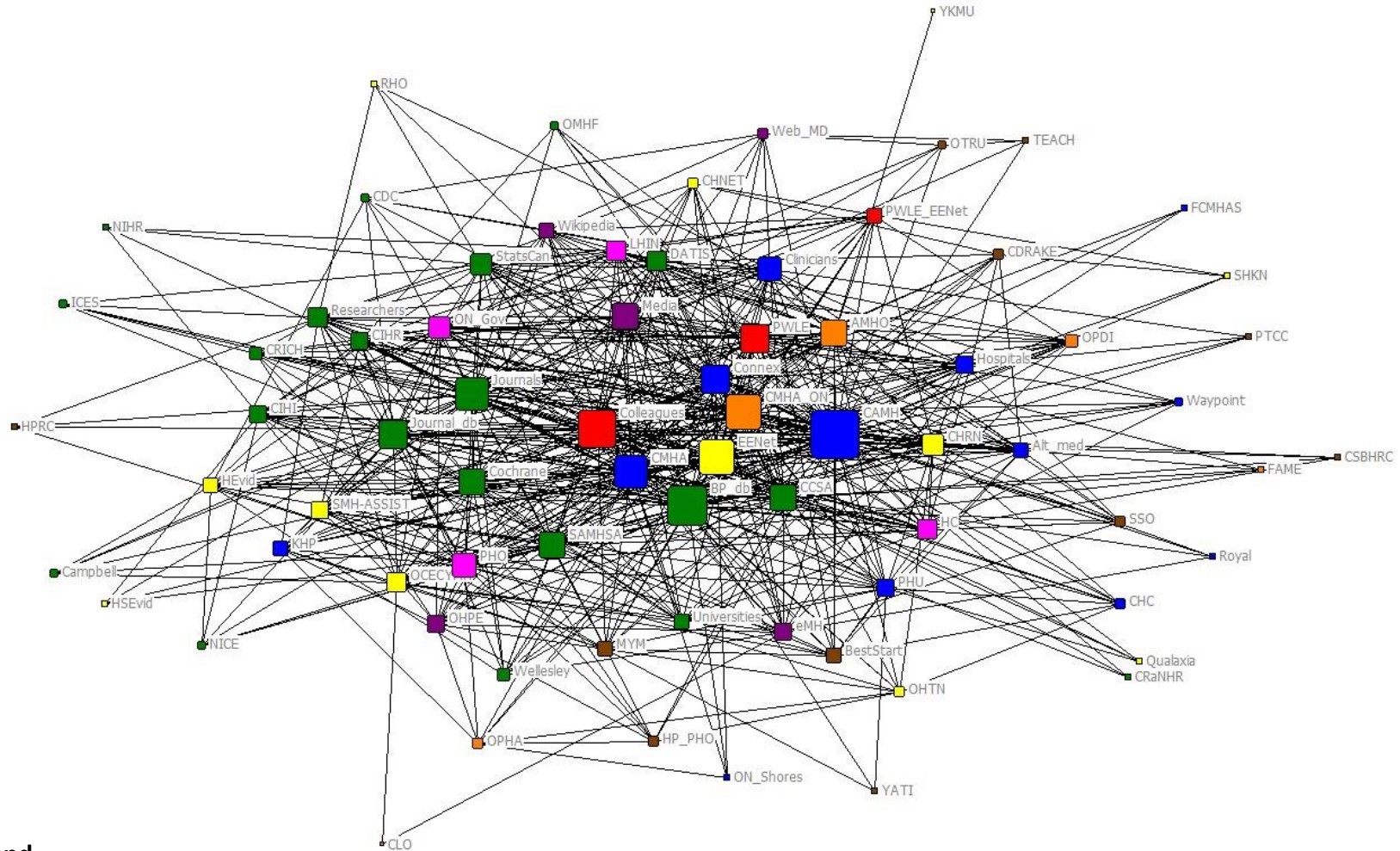
Key findings:

- Evidence sources connected a diverse array of stakeholders, both with respect to sector and geography
- Although most respondents were from the TCLHIN, they were not necessary instrumental to overall connectivity in the network

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Key findings:

- **Highly connected evidence sources were not restricted in type, but disseminate evidence in different ways**
- **There were no disconnected subgroups within the network that cater specifically to different audiences**

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5. Limitations



Limitations

- Duplicates
- Evidence source categorization
- Sample and selection bias
- Missing relevant evidence sources
- English

6. Lessons Learned



Lessons Learned

For EENet...

- Taking stock of results for current EENet initiatives – are we reaching the right people through the right sources?
- Allows us to pose new questions - we are “on the map” but not at the centre of it. Do we want to be?
- How can we leverage other evidence sources in Ontario to broaden the reach of EENet activities & resources?

Lessons Learned

Broader implications...

- Unique application of SNA: considering the connections between nodes as “evidence” and the nodes themselves “evidence sources”
- SNA can be used to inform KE/KT efforts – how are systems connected with respect to evidence? What sources to they value? For what purpose? Do certain sources play particular roles in the network (e.g. “structural bridges”)? How do the evidence connections change over time?

What are the
implications (if any)
for you or your
organization?

Questions?



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