

FAQ for Politicians & Policy-Makers

C-CPE POLICY BRIEFING

Key questions and answers for elected officials and policy-makers regarding the National Centre for Policing Excellence and C-CPR's mandate.

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Q19 – Why Support a National Centre for Policing Excellence?

A National Centre provides a structured, evidence-based way to harmonize police education across jurisdictions while respecting provincial responsibilities. It can help improve outcomes, reduce duplication, and ensure that reforms are implemented consistently and transparently.

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Q20 – How Does C-CPE Fit Within Federal-Provincial-Territorial Responsibilities?

C-CPE acknowledges that provinces and territories hold significant responsibility for policing and seeks to work within that framework. The proposed Centre is meant as a collaborative national resource, not a top-down replacement for local or provincial authority.

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Q21 – What Evidence or Expertise Underpins C-CPE's Recommendations?

C-CPE draws on the expertise of academics, practitioners, and community leaders with decades of experience in policing and public safety. Its work is informed by research, lessons from Canadian and international practice, and ongoing community dialogue.

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Q22 – How Can Elected Officials Engage with C-CPE?

Elected officials can participate in C-CPR conferences, roundtables, and briefings to better understand emerging recommendations and public expectations. They can also work with C-CPR to explore legislative, policy, and funding options that support professionalization and the National Centre vision.

Q23 – Does C-CPE Take Positions on Specific Bills or Policing Legislation?

C-CPR's primary focus is on creating a new opportunity to develop educational standards, curriculum and adult pedagogy. Where appropriate, it may provide non-partisan analysis or recommendations to improve alignment between legislation, education standards and community expectations.

Q24 – How Does Supporting C-CPE Align with Public Expectations on Police Reform?

C-CPE's agenda reflects widespread public interest in accountability, professionalism, and community-centred approaches to safety. Supporting a national, standards-based approach allows governments to respond constructively to calls for reform while ensuring police have the knowledge to do their jobs.

Q25 – How would NCPE affect the operation of provincial regulation and oversight bodies?

Provincial oversight bodies and the Solicitors General play key roles in policing. C-CPR's collaborative approach to police education is separate and distinct and shouldn't interfere with provincial oversight of police operations.

i C-CPE's vision is non-partisan and collaborative – designed to work **with** governments at all levels, not around them. Elected officials are encouraged to engage directly through conferences, roundtables, and policy briefings.