Discrimination Experienced by Immigrants, Visible Minorities, and Indigenous Peoples in London and Middlesex: An Empirical Study by the London & Middlesex Local Immigration Partnership

This presentation will describe the collaboration between the London & Middlesex Local Immigration Partnership (LMLIP) and NEST to conduct research on the discrimination experiences of immigrants, visible minorities, and Indigenous Peoples in London and Middlesex, with the goal of supporting the development of evidence-based anti-discrimination initiatives at the local level. We will describe the rationale for conducting this research, and the design and results of the in-depth representative survey conducted in March 2021. The survey focused not only on whether individuals have experienced discrimination, but on the specific contexts in which it is most likely to be experienced, what form it takes, and the potential consequences for individuals’ well-being and for our community. We will conclude by discussing some of the recommendations that have come out of the research and how this will help the LMLIP and other local organizations in their efforts to support our region as a welcoming community.

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