

**Title:**

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**Objectives:**

This research was designed to identify the cognitive, behavioural, attitudinal, and system issues for Canadian family/general physicians in their professional development. In particular, one objective of this research was to identify the relevance, the current competence, and the desired competence of Canadian family/general physicians in relation to the CanMEDS competencies.

**Key points:**

The articulation of four value dimensions, in addition to the relevance, the perceived current competence, and the desired competence of the CanMEDS competencies, can serve to inform health education professionals and policy makers about innovative interventions that will secure the engagement of physicians in their professional development.