



**GOOD PRACTICE
RESEARCH AND EVALUATION
GUIDELINES**

**The Research Cycle
and
Commissioning Process**

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*Kaua e whakaarohia te
mahinga engari te otinga*

Think not on the labour, rather
reflect on the completion

Purpose of the guidelines

One of SPEaR's roles is:

Assurance of quality and relevance of government-purchased social policy research

The guidelines contribute to this role by promoting "best practice" approaches, tools, and techniques

Scope of the guidelines

Initial set of guidelines cover:

Contracting

Ethics

Research with Māori

Research with Pacific peoples

Future topics:

Sensitive topics

New Settlers

A principles framework

Why Choose a Principles Framework?

The principles express the core values and are suitable for guidelines which must be flexible – if the principles are held then practice usually follows

The 5 principles:

Respect

Integrity

Responsiveness

Competence

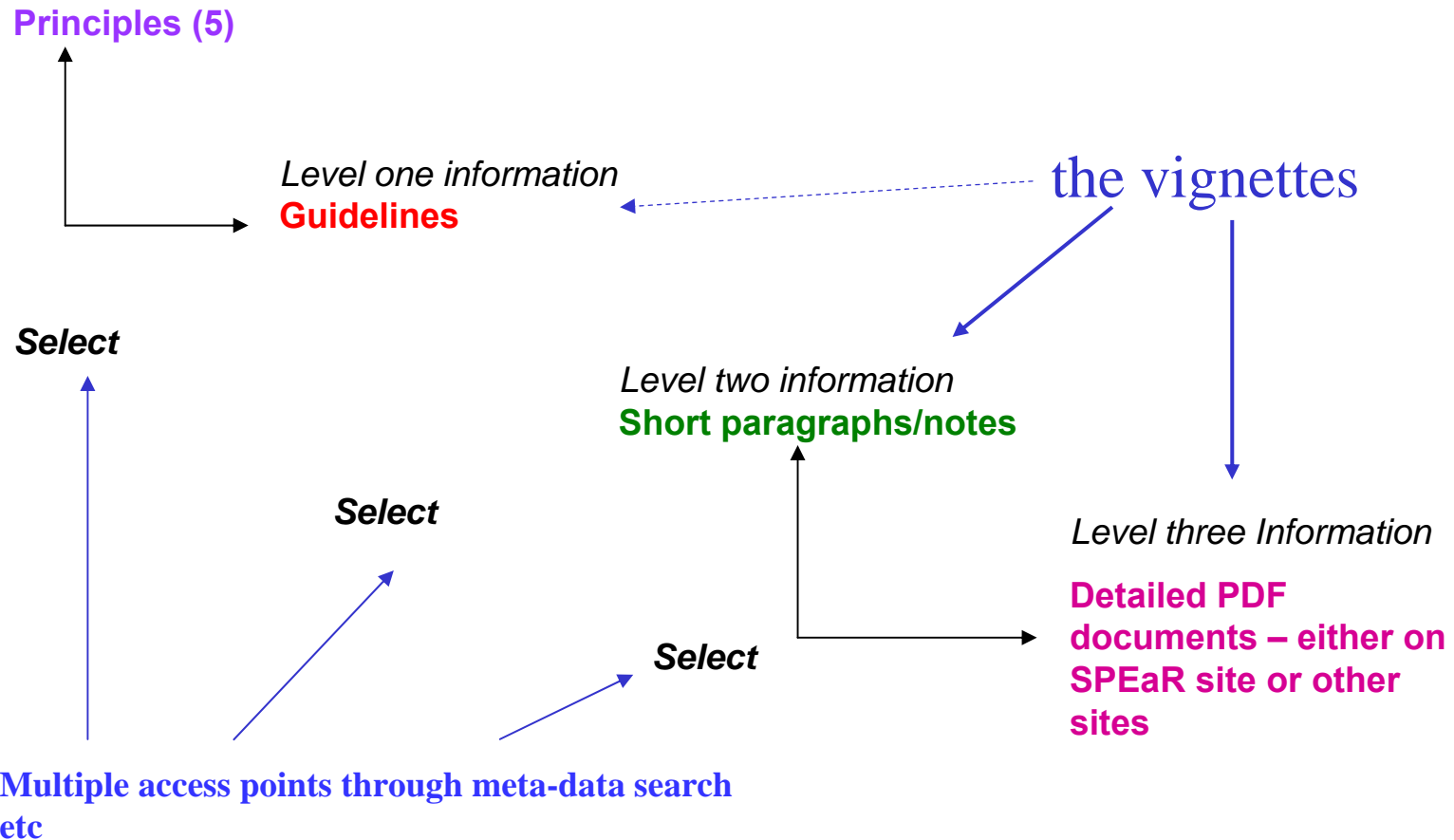
Reciprocity

The Research Cycle



The guidelines in practice

The Layers/Tiers of information Approach



A beginning not an end

Today:

an opportunity to hear about good practice
apply the guidelines to some scenarios and report back

Afterwards:

an opportunity to use the guidelines in your everyday
work
continue to feedback your experiences

So:

the guidelines can be added to and updated as good
practice evolves



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