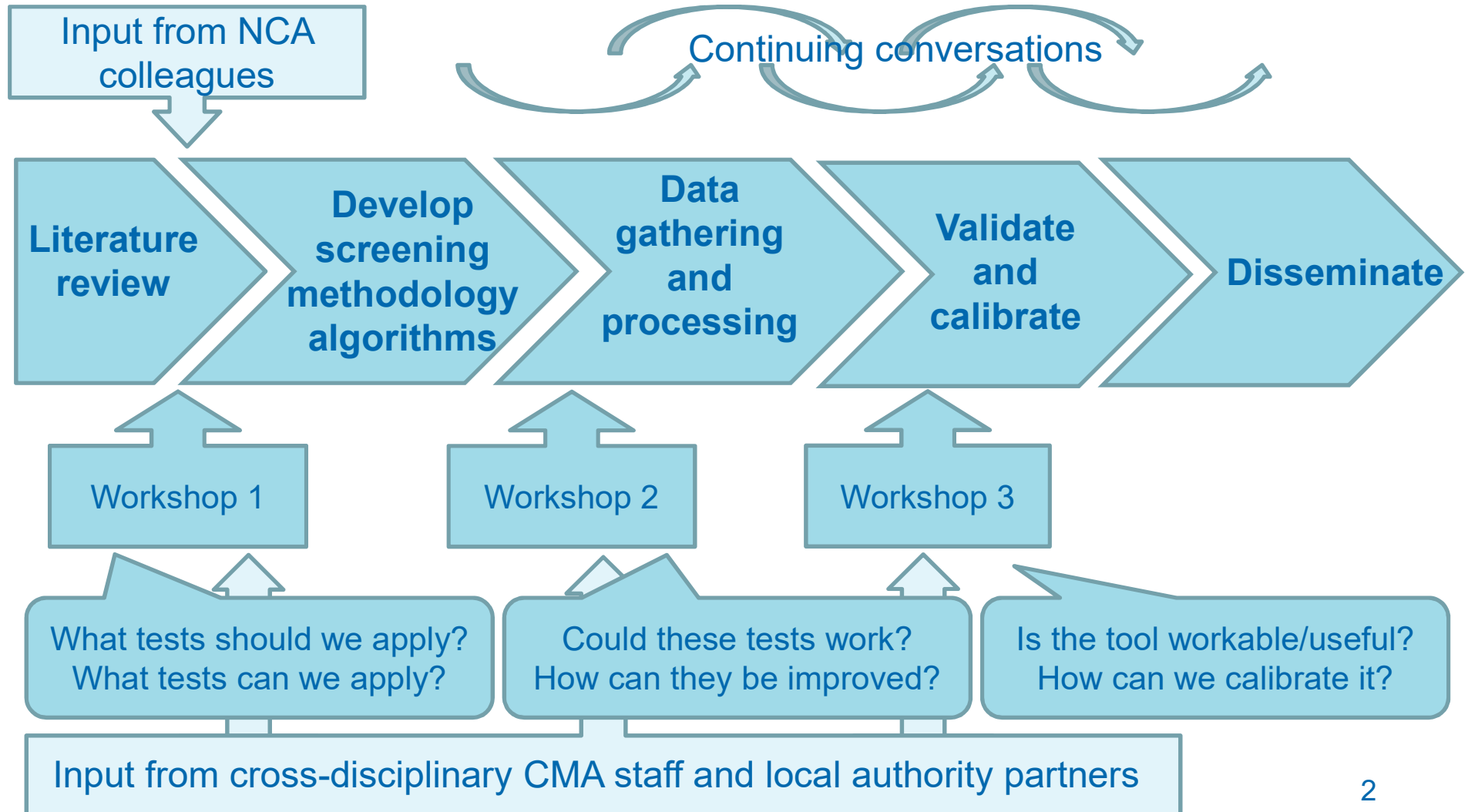


Screening procurement data for signs of bid-rigging

The UK's experience

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We have engaged with partners through the development process



We could not overcome the issues and challenges on our own

- The right indicators
- What we want to test v What we can test
- Engaging experts
- Participation
- Generating and sustaining interest
- Engaging partners
- Data
 - Access
 - Overcoming legal and policy constraints
 - Engaging Government
 - Quality
 - Getting data that is complete, accurate, in readable format
 - Volume
 - Getting enough data to test and calibrate

This has proved harder and taken longer than we expected

- Engagement is vital:
 - With competition authority experts
 - With procuring authority experts
- Every part of the process is harder work than we expected
- Recommendations to government offer the prospect of making it easier
 - Access to Government data
 - Future access to the data (tick box in the procurement database)
 - Open Contracting Data Standards (OCDS)