B.C. First Nations’ Data Governance Initiative

**Objectives:**
- Work in partnership to advance strategic planning and achieve better results for B.C. First Nations through improved data governance;
- Align data standards with a holistic and integrated social investment model that centralizes information from a variety of sectors including health, education, social services, child and family services, and housing;
- Develop an integrated set of data rules, policies, standards and technical linkages across all jurisdictions;
- Develop and implement an integrated Tripartite First Nations Data Governance model aligned with transformative change, building capacity within First Nations governments to collect, manage and, as appropriate, share data; and,
- Maximize efficiencies of existing resources across Federal, B.C. and First Nation governments.

**Federal and Provincial Governments**

- **Reporting Standards**
  - Outcomes measured against provincial service standards

- **Data Requirements and Analysis**
  - Aggregation and Analysis of Community Data

- **Integrated Investments**
  - Investments into Comprehensive Community Plans

**First Nations Data Governance**

- **Ownership**
- **Control**
- **Access**
- **Possession**

**B.C. First Nations Information Governance Centre**
Data Aggregation, Technical Support

**Outcomes measured against provincial service standards**

**Data Collection and Sharing**

- Reports link investments with outcomes.

**First Nations Governments**

- **Integrated Planning**
- **Community Data Collection**
- **Reporting Standards**

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**Vision**
Governments (First Nations, Federal and British Columbia) have timely access to quality data and information to plan and account for investments and outcomes in First Nations well-being.

**Goal**
To set a foundation for a robust and comprehensive approach for B.C. wide First Nations data and information governance.

**Result**
Improved relationships, improved First Nations autonomy, improved information for decision-making, improved First Nations’ well-being.
A Practical Approach to Transformative Change

- Road-map - incremental implementation of political commitments to transformative change.
- Phased approach - project-by-project reporting and reform to achieve efficiencies and address issues common to individual ministries, departments, and First Nations.
- Intergovernmental investments - standardized systems facilitate tracking of investments at many levels.
- Alignment - shared minimum standards amongst First Nations, Federal and British Columbia government increases accuracy of data and reporting.
- Capacity - built from the ground up by implementing a suite of locally developed administrative data systems in all B.C. First Nation Communities.
- Information Management/Technology - interconnected systems/data will reduce costs to any one party with First Nations’ systems providing information to Federal, British Columbia and First Nations government investors.
- Engagement - First Nation Communities will provide guidance in developing standards for data management and reporting implementing change incrementally.
- Planning - Community-driven, Nation-based planning, building on strengths and targeting resources on Community priorities.
- Accountability - increased ability to ensure funding is spent in the right ways, on the right things.

The B.C. First Nations’ Data Governance Initiative will serve to unite and guide B.C. First Nations, First Nations organizations and government partners, towards their shared outcome: well-being for First Nations.

PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS

The governments agreed to implement the B.C. Tripartite Data Quality and Sharing Agreement (2010) commitments to: develop the capacity of First Nations in B.C. to assume eventual custody, control, and management of First Nations’ Data; and, to work cooperatively toward the development of systems and protocols empowering First Nations to assume stewardship over the use of First Nation Data, and promote the accessibility of First Nations data and research.