

COVID19 & INDIGENOUS HEALTH

Innovations within Community and Primary Health Care

1. *Launch the Alberta Indigenous Primary Health Care and Policy Research (IPH CPR) Network*
2. *Share innovations and experiences on COVID19*
3. *Explore opportunities for building and sharing critical knowledge for an effective primary health care response to COVID 19*



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Agenda

1. Welcome and IPHCPR Network Overview
2. Innovations Presentations
 - Dr. Chris Sarin (Deputy Medical Officer of Health, Indigenous Services Canada First Nations & Inuit Health Branch)
 - Dr. Cheryl Barnabe (Associate Professor, University of Calgary)
 - Mr. Tyler White (CEO of Siksika Health Services)
 - Ms. Reagan Bartel (Director of Health at Métis Nation of Alberta)
3. IPHCPR Network opportunities in response to COVID19 & Open Discussion



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Indigenous Primary Health Care and Policy Research Network



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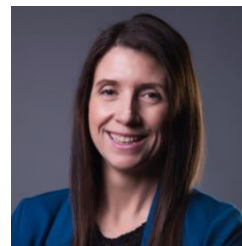
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Vision

To promote a renewed and transformed primary health care (PHC) system to achieve Indigenous health equity.

The network will advance research that links knowledge to policy and practice, fomenting evidence-informed systems innovations based in equity and Indigenous Ways of Knowing.

Principles

A strength-based lens focused on resilience is essential for the pursuit of health equity with Indigenous populations

Indigenous knowledge and ethics are central to transformation as they frame research, engagement, and knowledge for patient wellness



The achievement of health for Indigenous populations and resolution of healthcare disparities requires addressing proximal, intermediate and distal determinants of health.

Community-based research serves as a vehicle for change and transformation within PHC systems

Measurement should be derived from involvement of the people for whom it matters; innovations and measurement can validate & align Indigenous knowledge with PHC



Proposed Network Aims

1. Strengthen and promote partnerships and trust among Indigenous community, researchers, primary health care stakeholders and governments;
2. Facilitate sharing of research expertise, skills and resources
3. Building research capacity among stakeholders

Objectives



Foster Indigenous PHC and policy research relationships and collaborations



Establish a knowledge platform of theory, process and appropriate methods for Indigenous PHC and policy research



Advance Indigenous PHC and policy research capacity through critical training and mentorship opportunities



Support meaningful Indigenous community-based PHC and policy research



Advocate for Indigenous PHC system transformation through strategic knowledge sharing and expertise

Overview of COVID-19 in Alberta (as of June 24, 2020)



COVID-19 in First Nations People living on and off reserve in Alberta (as of June 24, 2020)



Interactive Alberta data can be found at: <https://covid19stats.alberta.ca/>

http://www.afnigc.ca/main/includes/media/html_files/First_Nations_COVID19_Dashboard_Alberta2020-06-24_13-54.html

Current Situation

The numbers across Alberta as of June 23, 2020

Location	Total Cases	Active Cases	In Hospital	In ICU	Deaths
First Nation Communities	74	21	2	2	1
First Nations People in AB*	235	N/A	26(ever)	6(ever)	4
Calgary Zone	5218	230	21	3	112
South Zone	1290	22	2	-	10
Edmonton Zone	885	236	12	2	14
North Zone	282	36	2	1	16
Central Zone	89	3	-	-	1
Unknown	17	36	2	1	16
TOTAL in AB	7781	532	37	6	153

*Includes on and off reserve

Dr. Chris Sarin



is a Public Health and Preventive Medicine Specialist employed as Deputy Medical Officer of Health for the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB), Health Canada, Alberta Region. He is leading the FNIHB Alberta response to the Fentanyl/Opioid Crisis in Alberta. Dr. Sarin works with the FNIHB program areas, provincial partners, and directly with First Nations to support interventions to reduce the rates of opioid (illicit and prescribed) related mortality in Alberta First Nations. This includes supporting First Nations participation in the province-wide Take Home Naloxone program. He is also the FNIHB Alberta lead on multiple committees overseeing primary care delivery, under which diabetes management falls. In addition, Dr. Sarin supports the FNIHB eHealth program.

Dr. Cheryl Barnabe



is a Métis rheumatologist with a graduate degree in Clinical Epidemiology. She is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Medicine and Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary. She is a Vice-Chair in the Department of Medicine (Indigenous Health), past-Chair of the Quality Care Committee for the Canadian Rheumatology Association, and a member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Indigenous Health Committee. Dr. Barnabe's research program, 'Arthritis Care for Indigenous Populations', has contributed knowledge on the epidemiology of arthritis and contemporary outcomes of inflammatory arthritis conditions for Indigenous people. She is the principal investigator of the Alberta Indigenous Mentorship in Health Innovation (AIM-HI) Network, a CIHR-funded Indigenous Mentorship Network Program, to recruit and retain Indigenous scholars in health research. Dr. Barnabe has received several national awards, including a CIHR Canada Research Chair in Rheumatoid Arthritis and Autoimmune Diseases (Tier 2, 2018-2023), the Killam Emerging Research Leader Award (2018) and is a member of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada (2018).



Mr. Tyler White

is the CEO of Siksika Health Services for Treaty 7. He is also President of the First Nations Health Consortium, which is working to enhance the coordination of health care service delivery to First Nations children in the province. Tyler has worked extensively with the federal government, Government of Alberta and Alberta Health Services to improve services and support.

Ms. Reagan Bartel



MPH, BScN, RN, CNCC(C), CD(C) is a Métis woman and Director of Health with the Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA). She is honoured to lead a department focused on gathering the unique perspectives and health experiences of Métis Albertans. A registered nurse for over 16 years and a Master of Public Health graduate from the University of Alberta, Reagan has a strong interest in Indigenous health within the broader context of global health. Reagan spends her time advocating for self-determination and strength-based approaches to health within the Métis community. Current projects being undertaken by her department at the MNA are focused on exploring Métis health experiences, including those related to pregnancy and birth, cancer journeys, relationships with tobacco, intersections of climate change and health, and suicide awareness. Reagan's goal, in collaboration with her team, is to listen to these stories and ensure the diverse voices of Métis Albertans are reflected in the MNA's development, implementation, and evaluation of health research, programs and services.

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Objective 1. Foster Indigenous PHC and Policy Research Relationships and Collaborations	Annual Network scientific meeting
	Communications
	Community Science Cafés
	PHC and policy research seminars
	National and international collaborations
	Annual Network scientific meeting
Objective 2. Establish a Knowledge Platform of Theory, Process and Appropriate Methods For Indigenous PHC & Policy Research	PHC Innovation of Service, Evaluation and Research Knowledge Synthesis & Sharing
	PHC Innovation Meetings
	Annual Meeting Grant Competition
Objective 3. Advance Research Capacity through Critical Training and Mentorship Opportunities	Building capacity through individual agency
	Mentorship for self-determination, resilience, and wellness maintenance
	Indigenous Primary Health Care and Policy Research Education
Objective 4. Support Meaningful Community-Based PHC & Policy Research	Annual Seed Grant Competition
	Methods Hub research support for PHC projects
Objective 5. Advocate for PHC System Transformation through Strategic Knowledge Sharing and Expertise	Synthesize and share emerging evidence with implications for PHC policy
	Policy Innovations Meetings
	PHC and Policy Innovation Forum
	Strategic sharing with PHC system stakeholders

OPEN DISCUSSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Indigenous Primary Health Care and Policy Research Network (IPH CPR) Annual Seed Grant Competition

PROJECT TITLE

Indigenous Led COVID-19 Innovations in Care

DESCRIPTION

This call for proposals encourages Indigenous communities or organizations in Alberta to access funding from the IPHCPR Annual Seed Grant Competition to explore and support innovative Indigenous led primary health care responses to COVID-19.

WHO CAN APPLY

- First Nation, Inuit or Métis community organizations, associations, groups or teams including leadership connected to or involved in PHC
- Indigenous organizations or communities providing PHC services to Indigenous peoples living off reserve or in urban centres
- Regional and off-reserve Indigenous organizations supporting their members living away from their communities (for example, Indigenous representative organizations and Tribal Councils)

FUNDING AVAILABLE

- Five grants of up to \$10,000 each
- Successful teams will be co-led by PHC community and academic partners; IPHCPR will work to match interested participants with potential partners to grow capacity for community/academic partnerships
- **Term:** One year

DEADLINE

- August 31st, 2020 at 11:59pm EST

HOW TO APPLY

- Complete a proposal and budget using the Project Proposal and Budget Worksheet (to be available shortly) or submit the same information in another format, such as Microsoft Word or Excel

Find out more information at: <https://www.iphcpr.ca/funding-opportunities>

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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

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