

## *Acting Regional Director Communique: Vancouver Coastal Partnership Accord Evaluation Survey*

Uy'skweyul (Good day) Vancouver Coastal (VC) Leadership,

It is with excitement and honor that I share with you our Vancouver Coastal Partnership Accord Evaluation Survey for your advance review and consideration. Recalling Sub-Regional Caucus sessions this past March, 2018, where the commitment was made to bring forward this survey for completion at our 2018 Spring Vancouver Coastal Caucus, April 24-26, 2018.

My hope is to lift and elevate this key opportunity for our Vancouver Coastal Caucus membership to provide feedback, as critical informants, to evaluate the achievements of the May, 2012 Vancouver Coastal Partnership Accord signed by our Vancouver Coastal Caucus FNHC regional representatives, the First Nations Health Authority, and Vancouver Coastal Health. Sub-Regional focus groups will follow in the 2018 Summer to support deeper dialogues. Your participation in this evaluation ensures your highly valuable feedback is importantly considered in the refreshment of a new Vancouver Coastal Partnership Accord (a commitment of our Aboriginal Health Steering Committee & Tripartite Committee on First Nations Health). Your critical feedback informs future directions to our shared health governance and partnership transformation efforts, and will be incorporated into revised Vancouver Coastal Partnership Accord we hope to bring for your review at the 2018 Fall Vancouver Coastal Caucus.

This evaluation affords us the opportunity to pause, reflect, and harvest ongoing lessons learned in our regional partnerships. Evaluation feedback allows us to ensure we are all pulling the canoe in the right direction, check in on our navigation of routes, and re-inforce or establish new ones if required to ensure we collectively achieve our vision:

*Healthy, Self-Determining and Vibrant BC First Nations Children, Families and Communities.*

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Your participation in the survey and summer focus groups will bring us closer to transforming our regional health system and ensure we are moving together and aligned with our 7 Directives:

- Directive #1** - Community-Driven, Nation- Based
- Directive #2** - Increase First Nations Decision-Making and Control
- Directive #3** - Improve Services
- Directive #4** - Foster Meaningful Collaboration and Partnership
- Directive #5** - Develop Human and Economic Capacity
- Directive #6** - Be Without Prejudice to First Nations Interests
- Directive #7** - Function at a High Operational Standard

Time is held on the Caucus agenda from **2:00- 2:30pm on Tues, April 24<sup>th</sup>** for survey completion, and those who complete a survey have a chance to win a large prize! Feel free to complete this survey in the manner that best suits you to ensure your fulsome feedback—before or after this time---and however needed. By sending out the communique and survey, my hope is to ensure there is advance notice, and adequate time provided for survey completion.

Your input to the evaluation process is extremely important and highly valued to inform recommendations for a refreshed Partnership Accord. Ultimately, the purpose for the evaluation is to continue to move the health transformation work forward in a good way in our shared Health System. Community political and health representative feedback will be used to continue to shape and inform our regional health governance and partnerships transformation work underway. Your feedback will also be used to inform a refreshed Partnership Accord. I raise my hands to you in gratitude.

Huy ch q'u (*Thank You*)  
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