Northern BC
Sub-Regional Report Back
Spring 2018
Our Foundation
How We Got Here
Building the FNHA

Our Vision
Healthy, self-determining and vibrant, BC First Nations children, families and communities

Our Values
Respect, Discipline, Relationships, Culture, Excellence & Fairness

Our Directives
1. Community Driven, Nation Based
2. Increase First Nations Decision-Making
3. Improve Services
4. Foster Meaningful Collaboration and Partnerships
5. Develop Human and Economic Capacity
6. Be without Prejudice to First Nations Interests
7. Function at a High Operational Standard
First Nations Perspective on Wellness
The Context

- **Population** 300,000 (less than 7% of the total BC population)
- 35.6% + of the entire BC First Nations population resides in the north
- **54 First Nations communities**, 9 Tribal Councils, 17 distinct linguistic groups
- More than 7000 NH employees
Our Priorities

Primary Care*
Mental Wellness and Substance Use*
Traditional Wellness
Maternal Child Health*
Population Public Health*
FNHA Northern Region Team

- 54 Nations are at the heart of our work
- Community Engagement Coordinators in 11 areas serve the Nations
- Our Regional Team supports the North
Reporting Back on Sub-Regional Caucus Engagement
Maternal Child Health
Community Planning & Reporting

Primary Care++
Traditional Wellness
Spring Sub-Regionals

- FNHC Social Determinants Caucus Prep
- Northern Office Workplan Update
- Partners: NHA, PHSA, BC Housing, BCEHS
- Engagement: Maternal Child Priorities
- Engagement: Planning Transformation
Engaging on Maternal Child Health

At sub-regionals we engaged Nations
Top 2 priorities per engagement area compiled

- Away from home housing
- Wrap around supports in community and away
- Early assessments
- Midwifery training
- Counselling training
- Funding for family/escorts
- Funding for MCH programs
Engaging on Community Planning & Reporting

Two Topics for Nations to Consider

*Community Planning and Reporting*

1. Describe the level/amount of health and wellness planning support you feel is ideal from the FNHA.

2. What tools/resources/supports would be most valuable to you in your health and wellness planning?
Engaging on Primary Care ++

Take Home:

• Overall there is support for model
• Need to further delve into standards
• There are key next steps we can pursue to improve service
Engaging on Traditional Wellness

- Gather and record wisdom from Traditional Knowledge Holders
- Expand language and cultural programs
- Explore traditional foods and medicines
- Learn/share traditional practices
- Funding for Traditional Wellness
- Include land based activities
Supporting Local Community and Nation Action
Looking Back

Northern Priorities

25 Medical Students placed
20+ Commitment Stick
25 HHH trained
47+ New clinical FTEs in community
64 First Responders Trained
16 Home Care Assistants
54+ Traditional Wellness Projects
36+ ASIST Trained
36+ Food Skills Trained
21+ Telehealth Communities Deployed
27 Northern Health Career Awards
16 Home Care Assistants
Northern Resources

2017/2018 Northern Regional Envelope Allocation

- Governance & Community Engagement: $1,163,807
- Health Actions: $2,040,496
- Health Transformation: $1,050,000
- Primary Care: $1,750,000
- Mental Wellness & Substance Use: $1,750,000
- HIV AIDS: $160,000
- Diabetes: $222,917
- Mental Health Crisis Supports: $500,000
- Joint Project Board MOH Ongoing: $5,136,822
- Non-Flexible Funding: $104,301,741
Northern Region Flexible Funding

- Health Actions, 2,040,496
- Primary Care, 1,750,000
- Mental Wellness, 1,750,000
- HIV AIDS, 160,000
- Diabetes/NSDM, 222,917
- Mental Health Crisis, 500,000
Northern Resource Allocation

Sub-Regional Allocations for 18/19

- **Northwest**: 61.66%
- **Northcentral**: 28.55%
- **Northeast**: 9.79%
Supporting Communities

- Need to balance regional wide program improvements with supporting local enhancements.
- Nations have local solutions to health challenges demonstrated through engagement and REF funded projects.
- FNHA is committed to support our communities and we clearly have heard additional funding to support improvements in priority areas is needed.

Increase Community Lead funding:

$2 million/year for 2 years = $4,000,000
Honouring Those That Paved The Way
Honouring our People

Community Health Representatives Gathering, March 2018

Lifetime Award Recipients
**Beyond the Mountains**  
**CHR Gathering 2018**

*Total Years of Service in the room*
Retired CHRs making art together
Paint Night Tonight

Tonight!
• Paint with Carla Joseph
• 30 spots
• All materials supplied
• Sign up at Registration table
Weaving Wellness Into Our Activities
Wellness Activities

Ada Dene Traditional Healers

Louie Family Drummers

Physios
Wellness Activities
Evaluations
Northern Partnership Accord
Engagement
Northern Partnership Accord Evaluation

- Originally approved in 2014
- Accord being re-evaluated now
- An evaluation working group has begun developing an evaluation approach
- An evaluation matrix outlining possible lines of enquiry and indicators is in draft form
- Input may be sought from Health Directors, political representatives and others related to the Accord
Northern Partnership Accord Evaluation

Looks at:

**Governance**
- How the provincial and regional governance structures are working
- How relationships have evolved as a result of Accords/ agreements
- Overall successes & challenges under the Accords/ agreements

**Planning, Coordination & Integration of Services**
- How BC First Nations are involved in health decision-making related to planning, design, management and delivery of health services
- Improvements in integration and coordination of services

**Program & Service Improvements**
- How initiatives, programs, services and policies accessed by First Nations are responsive to their health needs
Engagement Evaluation

• Looking at ways to improve engagement
• Community-based engagement is central to success
• Engagement is much more involved than in 2013
• CEC role has grown over the year
Thank You!

- **Kinanaskomitin** (Cree)
- **Gunalchéesh** (Tlingit)
- **Snachailya** (Carrier)
- **Wuujo Aasanalaa** (Beaver)
- **T’oyaxsim nisim** (Gitxsan)
- **Meduh** (Tahlitan)
- **Snay Kahl Ya** (Wetsuwet’en)
- **T’oyaxsut ‘nüün** (Gitxaala, Gitga’at)
- **Mussi-cho** (Kaska Dena)
- **Musi** (Nak’azdli Dakahl Yekooche)
- **T’ooyaksiy nisim** (Nisga’a)
- **Slahja** (Nadleh Whut’en)
- **Haa’wa** (Haida)