

Vision

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

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

GROUNDING OURSELVES FOR THE WORK

Tripartite Vision for the Future

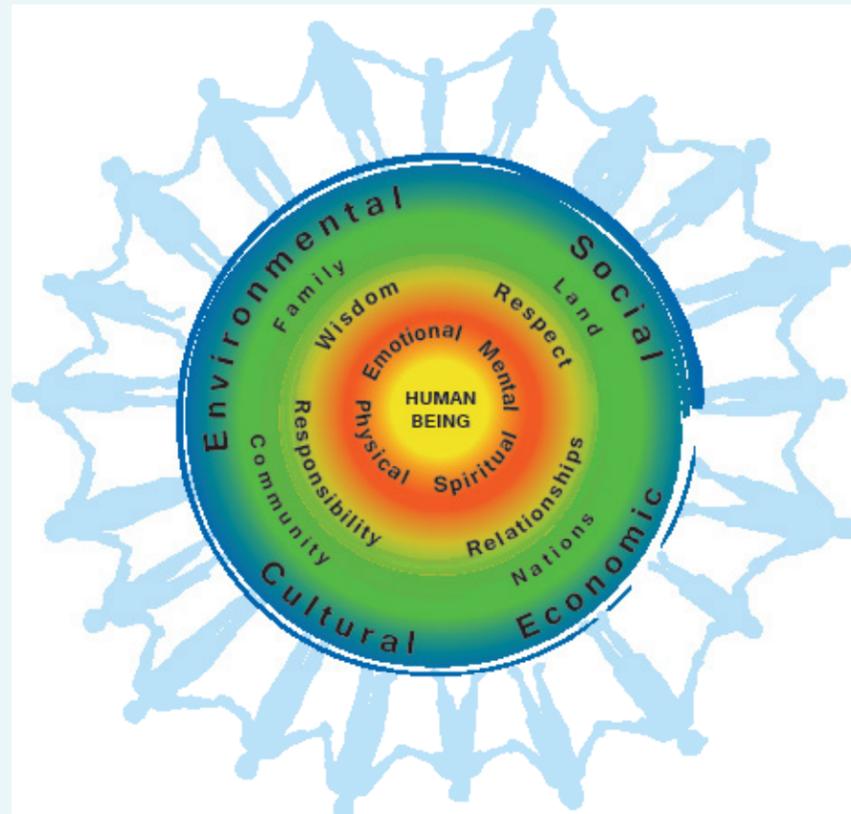
» The vision is a future where BC First Nations people and communities are among the healthiest in the world. We envision healthy and vibrant BC First Nations children, families, and communities playing an active role in decision-making regarding their personal and collective wellness. We see healthy First Nations people living in healthy communities, drawing upon the richness of their traditions of health and well-being. In this vision, First Nations people and communities have access to high quality health services that are responsive to their needs, and address their realities. These services are part of a broader wellness system – a system that does not treat illness in isolation. These services are delivered in a manner that respects the diversity, cultures, languages, and contributions of BC First Nations.

Tripartite Partnership Principles

- » Lead with culture: Understand your Partners and where they come from.
- » Honour those who paved the way: Pay respect to, and honour the wisdom of, those that brought us to where we are today.
- » Maintain unity and discipline: Work for the common good of all; do not criticize one another; recognize that we all have a role to play.
- » Create strong relationships – be tough on the issues and easy on each other: Seek opportunity to create understanding and support one another’s dignity.
- » Engage at the appropriate level: Partners must have authority, skills, and knowledge to fully contribute.
- » Respect each other’s process: Seek understanding of, acknowledge and respect the validity of one another’s ways of working and decision-making processes, and provide assistance to one another in navigating these processes.

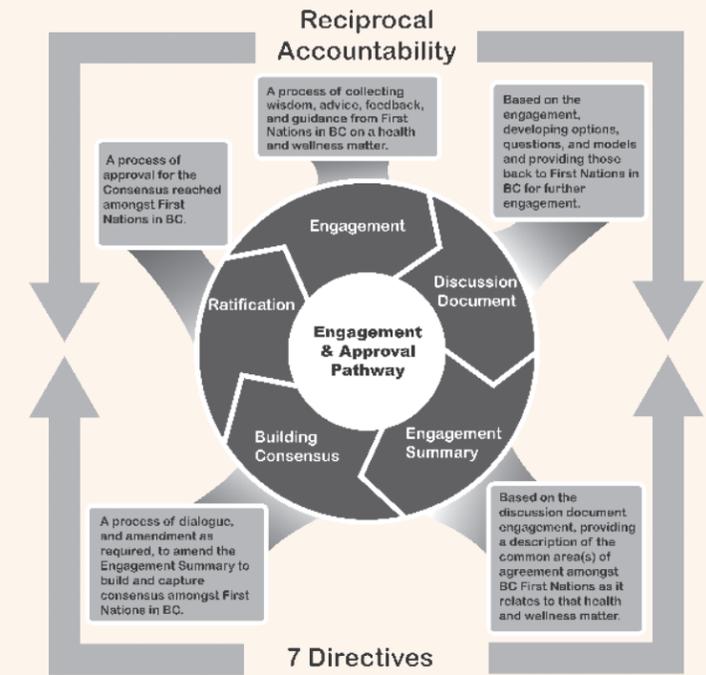
First Nations Perspective on Wellness

» The First Nations Perspective on Wellness is a visual depiction of BC First Nations’ vision of: Healthy, Self-Determining and Vibrant BC First Nations Children, Families and Communities. The Perspective was developed based on guidance provided by, and the traditional teachings of, BC First Nations. It aims to create a shared understanding of a holistic vision of wellness, and meet individuals where they are at in their lives and wellness journeys. The Centre Circle represents individual human beings, recognizing that wellness starts with individuals. The Second Circle illustrates the importance of Mental, Emotional, Spiritual and Physical facets of a healthy, well, and balanced life. The Third Circle represents the overarching values that support and uphold wellness: Respect, Wisdom, Responsibility, and Relationships. The Fourth Circle depicts the people that surround us and the places from which we come: Nations, Family, Community, and Land. The Fifth Circle depicts the Social, Cultural, Economic and Environmental determinants of our health and well-being.



ENGAGEMENT AND APPROVALS PATHWAY

Much of our success to date has been our ability to take guidance directly from BC First Nations through the Engagement & Approvals Pathway. Through the Pathway, community guidance informs regional perspectives, which then informs provincial consensus-building and strategic direction on specific issues, themes, and decisions.



REGIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK

The planning approach for our First Nations health governance structure builds on the benefits of the Engagement and Approval Pathway, supporting First Nations to be involved and provide guidance and direction in a more strategic and comprehensive way at local, regional, and provincial levels.

