



#### First Nations Health Authority Health through wellness

### Joint Project Board (JPB) Projects Annual Report Results for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2019

October 2020

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We acknowledge the traditional territories upon which the JPB projects are being delivered, as well as the efforts of the many staff, clinicians and partners involved in establishing and implementing the vision of these initiatives.

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# Summary of Key Findings (FY 2018-2019)

Financial: In total there were 27 JPB projects with \$18.0M available in project funding JPB projects spent 58% of available funding (mainly due to unfilled positions)

- Of \$15.0M annual budget, \$9.7M or 65% was spent
- Of \$3.0M carry forward from prior years, \$0.8M or 27% was spent
- First Nations Organizations spent **77%** of their allotted JPB project funds; Health Authorities spent **47%**; and the FNHA **38%**

**Implementation**: All JPB projects with known implementation status were operational; about one-half (48%) were fully operational

- 65% of Direct Service Delivery positions were filled
- JPB projects implemented strategies and provided suggestions to address key barriers including recruitment, retention, and infrastructure
- Service Delivery Innovation: JPB projects improved access to care by adapting services and supporting individuals
- **Reporting**: Missing and inconsistent JPB project reporting to FNHA for both the narrative and financial reports, as well as follow up of unused funds, have been an issue



# **Approach to Analysis**





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### Method

### Analysis of JPB Funded Projects

- The current report presents overall findings for fiscal year (FY) 2018-2019
- The analysis also covers trends from FY 2016-2017

### **Data Sources**

- FNHA JPB financial data for FY 2018-2019
- JPB narrative reports for FY 2018-2019
- JPB funding arrangements, tracking and summary reports for FY 2018-2019
- Previous JPB Annual Reports



## JPB Narrative Report Submission

Region	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
Fraser Salish			
Interior			
Northern			
Vancouver Coastal			
Vancouver Island			
Provincial Project			
Legend JPB Report submitted JPB Report not submitted	Total 22 / 27 projects	Total 24 / 27 projects	Total 25 / 27 projects

#### Numbers reflect projects with at least one unique JPB Annual Report submission

For a JPB project with multiple components, one unique report could be submitted for each component. For FY 2018-2019, 57 unique reports could be submitted; 48 were received (**84%**). A JPB project is considered 'reported' when at least one unique report is received (despite # of project components). **Report submission delays** Slightly over half of JPB projects (n=16) met the July 2019 report submission deadline. Additional reports were submitted as late as eight months following this 7 deadline.

# **Financial Review**







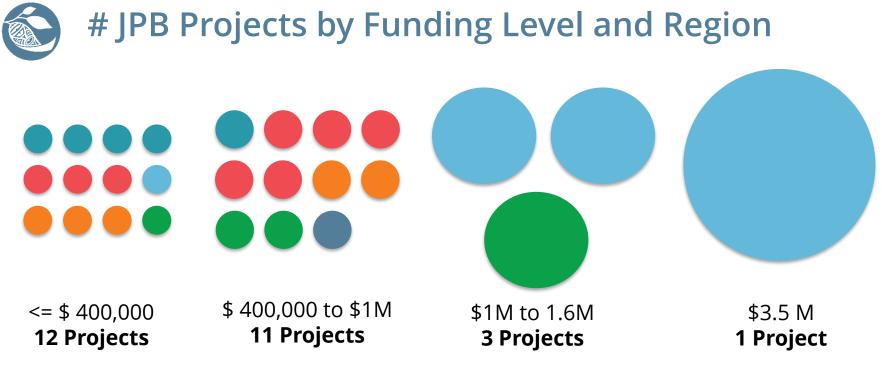
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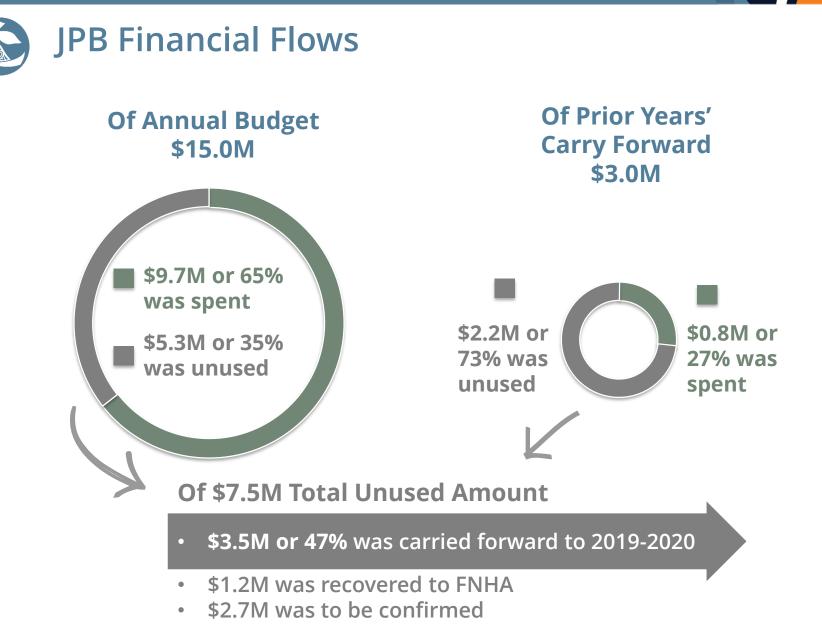
# Key Messages on JPB Funding (FY 2018-2019)

- \* Financial data extracted on September 11, 2020
- In total there were **27 JPB projects** with **\$18.0M** available.
  - **44%** of JPB projects had annual project funding of less than \$400K.
- **Spending**: JPB projects **spent \$10.5M or 58% of available funding** (mainly due to unfilled positions)
  - Of \$15.0M annual budget, \$9.7M or 65% was spent.
  - Of \$3.0M carry forward from prior years, \$0.8M or 27% was spent.
- **Total unused funds were \$7.5M** (representing 42% of total JPB project funding), of which **\$3.5M** (**47%**) was carried forward to FY 2019-2020.
- **Recipients**: About **43%** of total JPB project funding was allotted to First Nations Organizations; **39%** to Health Authorities; and **18%** to the FNHA
- First Nations Organizations spent **77%** of their allotted JPB project funds; Health Authorities spent **47%**; and the FNHA **38%**



In total there were 27 JPB projects with \$18.0M available for FY 2018-2019. 44% of JPB projects had annual project funding (budget and carry forward combined) of less than \$400K.





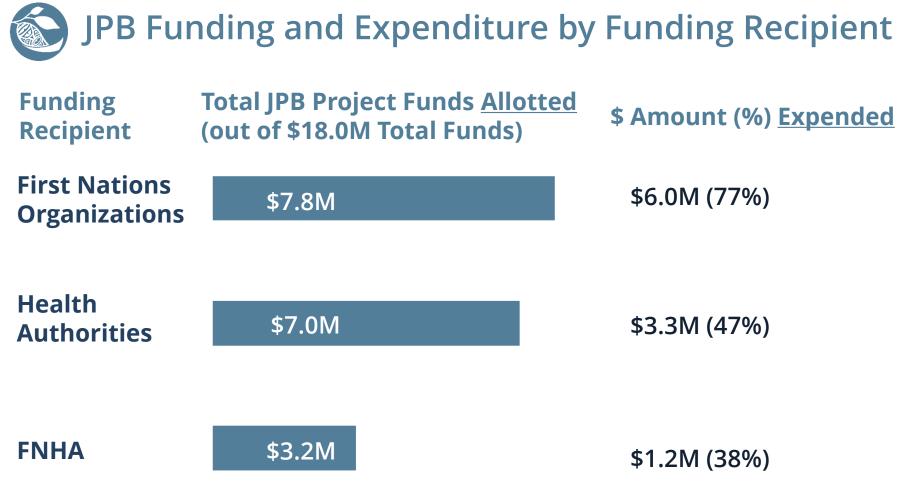




## JPB Funding and Expenditure by Region

	Total JPB Project Funds <u>Allotted</u> (out of \$18.0M Total Funds)	\$ Amount (%) <u>Expended</u>
Provincial	\$0.49M	\$0.43M (88%)
Fraser Salish	\$1.73M	\$1.38M (80%)
Interior	\$3.66M	\$2.90M (79%)
Vancouver Island	\$3.59M	\$2.15M (60%)
Vancouver Coastal	\$2.20M	\$1.25M (57%)
Northern	\$6.32M	\$2.37M (38%)







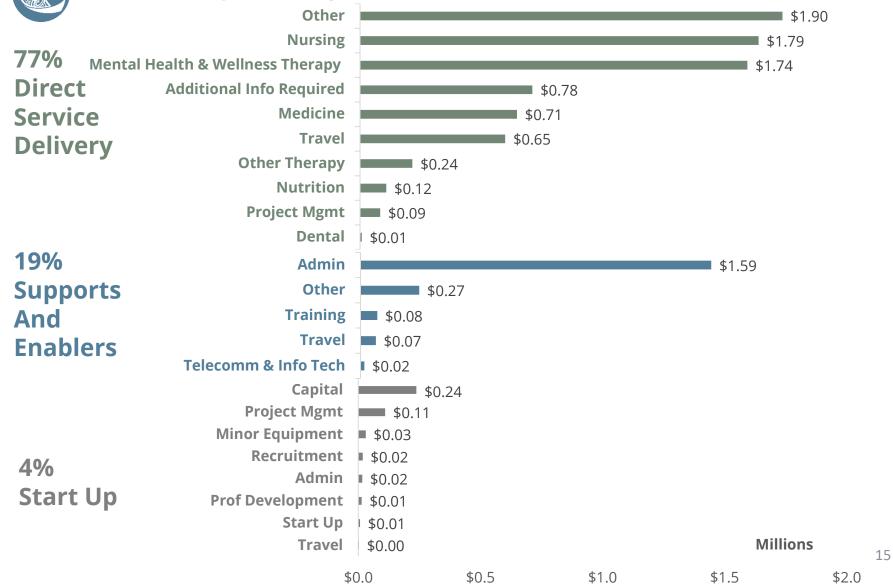
#### **Key Messages on JPB Expenditures (FY 2018-2019)** \* Financial data extracted September 11, 2020 Of the \$10.5M in JPB project expenditures: 77% was spent on Direct Service Delivery 19% was spent on Supports and Enablers 4% was spent on Start Up activities Overall, across all JPB-funded projects, top expenditure categories included: Nursing **(\$1.8M)** 0 Mental Health and Wellness (\$1.7M) 0 Administration (\$1.6M) Medicine (\$0.7M) 0 Travel (\$0.7M) • Other Therapy **(\$0.2M)** Capital (\$0.2M) 0 • Nutrition (\$0.1M)

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## JPB Project Expenditures (\$Millions)





### **Key Messages on JPB Unused Funds (FY 2018-2019)** \*Financial data extracted September 11, 2020 Ø Of the \$7.49M in unused funds, **\$5.31M** associated with **annual budget** and \$2.18M associated with prior years' carry forward (CF) Of the \$7.49M in unused funds, \$4.32M or 58% associated with direct service delivery, due to staff vacancies, including: Nursing, \$2.12M (Budget: \$1.90M; CF: \$0.23M) Mental Health and Wellness, \$1.24M (Budget: \$1.13M; CF: \$0.11M) Social Worker, \$0.96M (Budget: \$0.91M; CF: \$0.05M) Other Allied Health Professionals, \$0.40M (Budget: \$0.18M; CF: \$0.22M) General Practitioner sessions, \$0.36M (Budget: \$0.26M; CF: \$0.10M) **Overhead** costs accounted for \$1.78M or 24% of unused funds (Budget: \$0.89M ; CF: \$0.89M) **Travel** accounted for \$1.38M or 18% of unused funds

(Budget: \$0.84M ; CF: \$0.54M)

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# JPB Project Unused Funds Breakdown (\$Millions)

	Annual Budget	Prior Years' Carry Forward	Total Unused
Nurs	ing \$1.90	\$0.23	\$2.12M
Trav	<b>\$0.84</b>	\$0.54	\$1.38M
Mental Health & Welln	<b>ess</b> \$1.13	\$0.11	\$1.24M
Social Work	er \$0.91	\$0.05	\$0.96M
Administrative Supp	sort \$0.55	\$0.11	\$0.66M
Operational and Oth	so.12	\$0.38	\$0.50M
Other Allied Hea Professio	<b>\$0.40</b>	\$0.22	\$0.40M
<b>General Practitio</b>	<b>sner</b> \$0.26	\$0.10	\$0.36M
Recruitm	ent \$0.04	\$0.26	\$0.30M
Professional Developm	ent \$0.19	\$0.01	\$0.20M
Capi	tal 🛌 \$(0.01)	\$0.13	\$0.12M
Other Staff \$(0.79)		\$0.03	(\$0.76M) deficit
	Direct Service Delivery \$4.32 Million (58%)Overhead \$1.78 Million (24%)	Travel ) \$1.38 Million (18%	<b>b)</b> 17

# **Project Implementation Progress**





# Implementation Progress (FY 2016-2017-2018-2019)

<ul> <li>FY 2016-2017</li> <li>FY 2017-2018</li> <li>FY 2018-2019</li> <li>7% 4% 4% n=2 n=1 n=1</li> </ul>	<b>11%</b> n=3 <b>0% 0%</b> n=0 n=0	<b>44%</b> 48% n=12 n=13 <b>44%</b> n=12	52% n=14 48% n=13 37% n=10	By the end of FY 2018-2019: All JPB projects <i>with known</i> <i>implementation</i> <i>status</i> were operational <b>96%</b> of JPB projects were operational - partially / mostly
Unknown	Not Operational	Partially / Mostly Operational	Fully Operational	/ fully combined (26 / 27)
Not enough information to determine implementation status	No clinicians on the team hired / no clients being seen	Some / most clinicians on the team hired and seeing clients	All clinicians on the team hired and seeing clients	<b>48%</b> of JPB projects were fully operational (13 / 27)





# **Celebrating Implementation Success**



#### RESPONSIVENESS

Implemented JPB projects continued to evolve as required to respond to local-level needs "[...] we continue to tweak our primary care model based on evaluation and lessons learned"



#### PARTNERSHIP

Multiple partners continued to work together to ensure JPB projects were successfully implemented "We are working very closely with the Division of Family Practice [...] to find more recruits and have submitted an 'ask' to the MoH"



#### IMPLEMENTATION

Several JPB projects experienced successful implementation (e.g. were fully staffed; delivered as designed; regularly seeing clients).

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#### RECRUITMENT

During FY 2018-2019, hiring activities for clinicians continued for JPB projects that were not fully operational. "The clinic is fully operational in regards to being fully staffed and seeing clients on a regular basis"

"There are significant efforts [...] on recruitment and retention in the North. Recruiting NPs is an area of focus. This has included working with universities - with programs that graduate NPs"

-JPB Narrative Report Respondents



**Populations Served** 

100%

of JPB projects service **status First Nations** (25 / 25)

**92**%



of JPB projects service other residents (non-Indigenous residents) (13 / 25)

service Indigenous People (Metis, Inuit, and / or non-**Status First** Nations) (23 / 25)

of JPB projects

status First Nations people and other residents with our outreach services. We do this by offering regularly scheduled drop-ins to communities that *request this service.* [...] As there are many non-Aboriginal individuals who are connected with First Nations communities, we are open to helping all those who can benefit from our services" -JPB Narrative Report Respondent

*"We provide services to* 

# **Service Location**



of JPB projects provide on**reserve** services (25 / 25)



of JPB projects provide awayfrom-home / off**reserve** services (17/25)





## Key Messages on Direct Service Delivery Positions (FY 2018-2019)

- **65%** of **direct service delivery positions were filled** in FY 2018-2019; recruitment and retention remained a challenge
- Fraser Salish showed the highest % of filled positions (93%);
   Northern (45%) and Vancouver Coastal (52%) showed the lowest
- **39%** of JPB direct service delivery staff self-identified as Indigenous



# Direct Service Delivery Positions by Region

Region	% Filled	# Filled	# Vacant	# Not Report	
All projects	65%	9	93	45	4
Fraser Salish	93%		14		1
Interior	86%		24		4
Vancouver Island	69%		22	10	)
Provincial Project	67%		2	1	
Vancouver Coastal	52%	17		12	4
Northern	45%	14		17	





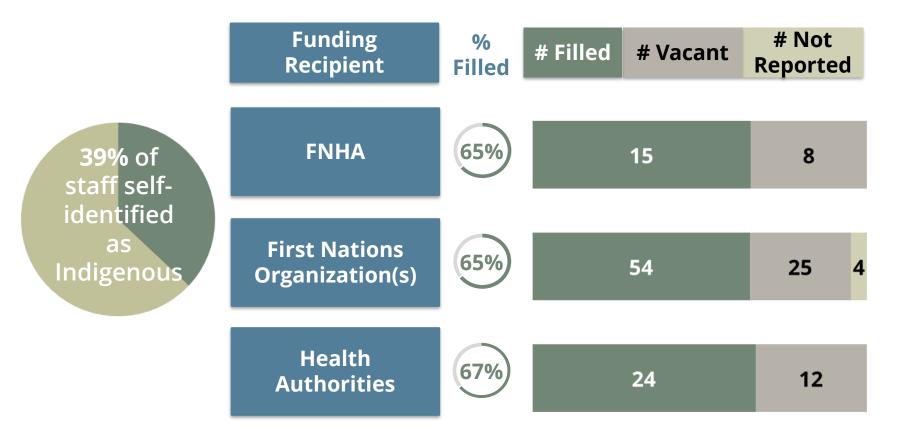
### **Direct Service Delivery Positions by Profession**

Profession	% Filled	# Filled # Vacant	# Not Reported
Nurse	71%	22	9
General Practitioner	70%	7	2 1
Miscellaneous Health Professional	78%	7	1 1
Other Allied Health Professional	68%	17	8
Mental Health & Wellness Staff	60%	26	15 <mark>2</mark>
Social Worker	58%	14	10





### Direct Service Delivery Position by Funding Recipient Group



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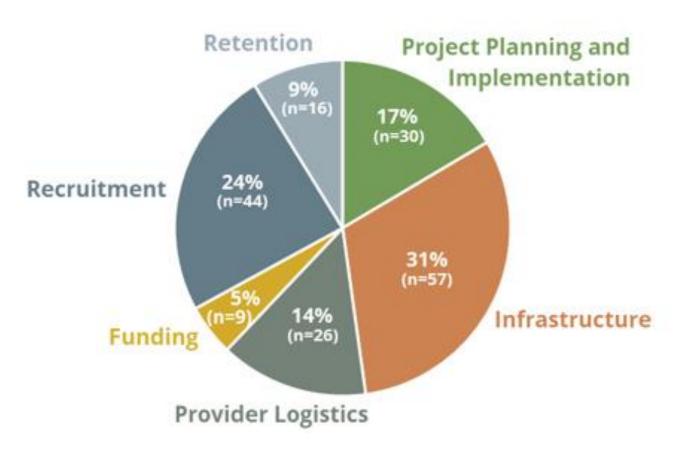


Key barriers to JPB project implementation pertained to

- Recruitment and retention: lack of trained candidates in specialized areas of practice; lack of qualified local candidates; length of time to hire candidates
- Infrastructure: lack of office / clinical space; persistent IT issues; lack of short-term provider accommodations
- Provider logistics (e.g. travel costs are high) and project
   planning (e.g. time to plan / implement projects)
- JPB projects implemented several strategies to address these barriers:
  - Utilizing recruitment agencies, community-based referrals and advertising widely to support staffing
  - Building relationships with communities to facilitate access to local-level infrastructure and to support project planning



# Implementation Barriers by Theme







# **Top Reported Implementation Barriers**

Recruitment and Retention	Infrastructure	Provider Logistics		Project Planning / Implementation		
48% - Lack of trained candidates in specialized areas of practice (n=12)	60% - Lack of physical office space (n=15)	32% - Provider travel costs are too high (n=8)		28% - Amount of time to plan / implement project (n=7)		
44% - Lack of trained candidates locally (n=11)	56% - Lack of confidential clinical space (n=14)	<b>Highlights</b> 11 JPB project implementation			tion	
32% - Length of time to hire candidates (e.g. time to develop job description; advertise position; sign contract; onboard staff) (n=8)	52% - IT issues (e.g. insufficient Bandwidth; limited access to Electronic Medical Records (EMRs) (n=13)	barriers were cit quarter of JPB p Recruite Rete			one .	
28% - Provider burnout (n=7)	44% - Lack of short- term housing / accommodation			Project	r Logistics Planning /	
28% - Lack of interest by local qualified candidates (e.g. salary; benefits; level of seniority) (n=7)	(n=11)		L	Implen	nentation	28



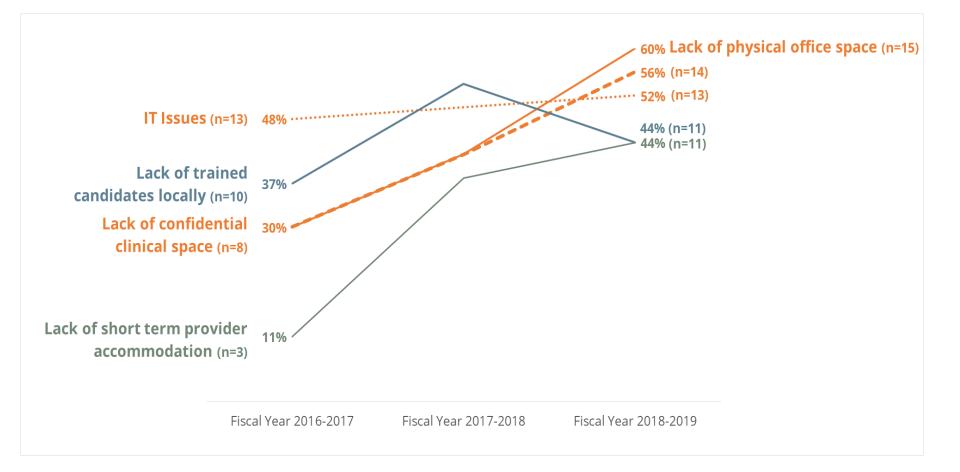


# **Top Implementation Barriers by Funding Recipient**

<b>First Nations</b> <b>Organization</b> (10 projects)	<b>FNHA</b> (2 projects)	<b>Health Authorities</b> (6 projects)	Multiple Funding Recipient (7 projects)
Lack of physical office space (n=7)	All categories below received an equal # of responses (n=1)	Lack of short-term housing / accommodation (n=3)	Lack of physical office space (n=6)
Lack of confidential clinical space (n=7)	<ul> <li>Unable to attract local qualified candidates</li> <li>Length of time to hire</li> </ul>	IT issues (e.g. Bandwidth, EMR) (n=3)	IT issues (e.g. Bandwidth, EMR) (n=5)
IT issues (e.g. Bandwidth, EMR) (n=5)	Union matters	Lack of trained candidates in specialized areas of practice (n=3)	Lack of confidential clinical space (n=5)
Recruitment and Retention	<ul> <li>Lack of short-term housing /</li> </ul>	Lack of trained candidates locally (n=3)	Provider travel costs too high (n=5)
Infrastructure	<ul><li>accommodations</li><li>Lack of physical office space</li></ul>		Lack of trained candidates in specialized areas of practice (n=5)
Provider Logistics Project Planning / Implementation	<ul> <li>Project planning / start-up taking a significant time</li> </ul>		Lack of trained candidates locally (n=5)



# Trends for Top Five Implementation Barriers







What We Heard from Narrative Reports about **Recruitment and Retention** 

### Strategies (employed/planned)

- Utilizing recruitment agencies, communitybased referrals and advertising widely
- Adjusting position **qualifications** to access a larger pool of candidates
- Offering other employment arrangements (e.g. tele-work; rotational in/out of community)
- Encouraging **local youth** to pursue health careers
- 'Laddering' community members into positions
- Building local staff housing options to reduce travel time and/or attract full-time staff

### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

- Secure additional funding to support competitive salaries, benefits and pension packages
- Allow both flexible and full FTE arrangements to accommodate communities' unique needs
- Support flexible position
   qualifications and provide HR
   support
- Support **staff housing** within community





What We Heard from Narrative Reports about **Infrastructure** 

### Strategies (employed/planned)

- Building relationships with communities to facilitate access to locallevel infrastructure
- Utilizing alternative spaces where feasible and appropriate (e.g. a trailer for mobile support team)
- **Restructuring existing spaces** as required to better support service delivery
- Staggering service times/ manage bookings to ensure clinical facilities and space are optimally utilized

"The lack of physical office space has been addressed as best [as] it can be by trying to stagger provider schedules so there is available office space, this is not always a viable solution."

### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

 Secure additional funding to establish additional confidential clinical or office spaces, and/or to modify existing spaces

"The Office Space issue is that Clinicians are sharing offices in communities and this makes it difficult [to] provide safe care.... We have moved offices but still don't have room to expand."

"Unless more funding is secured to move forward with the proposed renovations and/or building move, the spacing issue will likely be unresolved."





### What We Heard from Narrative Reports about Provider Logistics / Project Planning

### Strategies (employed/planned)

- **Building relationships** with First Nations communities to generate creative solutions
- Building **local staff housing** options to reduce travel time and enable overnight stays
- Implementing scheduling, tracking, and documentation protocols to efficiently conduct needs assessments and deliver communityspecific programming
- Including communities, partners, and physicians in project planning and implementation to build buy-in and shared understanding of project goals among the parties

### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

- Secure senior level champions to
  build consensus across
  professions and support system
  change
- Create/designate a team lead position to support coordination and communication
- More funding for **admin support** to free service delivery staff from administrative tasks
- FNHA to support recruitment and policy development





## **Comments on Implementation Barriers**

• "Some [physicians] are available, but not a [good] fit"





- "Some clinicians have been hired for this team; however, have also since resigned"
  - "The second clinician was not able to generate a consistent caseload [...] resigned four months into the new fiscal year"



**INFRASTRUCTURE** • *"There is currently a lack of short term housing/ accommodation* [...] *this has been an issue for recruiting and retaining outside professionals for many years"* 



- PROJECT PLANNING
- "Multiple EMRs are not integrated"
- "Trying to integrate this service into four communities is challenging [...]"
- "[...] it can be difficult to build the relationships needed to move complex changes forward without a champion or navigator" - JPB Narrative Report Respondents

# **Service Delivery Progress**







# **Celebrating Service Delivery Success**



#### FIRST NATIONS PERSPECTIVE ON HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Implemented JPB projects have incorporated the First Nations Perspective on Health and Wellness across various levels of service "We provide [...] education and mini wellness talks within a culturally sensitive and wholistic approach"



#### TWO-EYED SEEING

JPB projects have adopted two-eyed seeing approaches to wellness that draw on strength, wisdom and value from both traditional and western health and wellness knowledge and practices



#### ACCESS

JPB projects improved access to care by adapting services and supporting individuals "[We've] spent the past year delivering community-specific programming that combines traditional Medicine Wheel teachings with Western addictions treatment practices [...]"

"One of our most successful strategies...was giving honorariums to community members [for clients to share experiences in talking circles and provide support/info to potential clients]. They played a huge role in recruiting potential clients and ensuring that clients consistently attended the sessions"

-JPB Narrative Report Respondents 36



# Key Messages on Accessibility of Services (FY 2018-2019)

- JPB projects improved access to care by adapting services and supporting individuals
- There were **55,821 client visits** across reported JPB projects during 2018-2019, representing an increase from previous reporting periods
- As a result of JPB projects, the majority of respondents agreed that wellness had been integrated into the delivery of care and cultural safety and humility of care had improved
  - However, recruitment challenge, staff shortages and work intensity were impacting the progress of improvement
- Ability to recruit and retain healthcare workers was identified as the area with least improvement



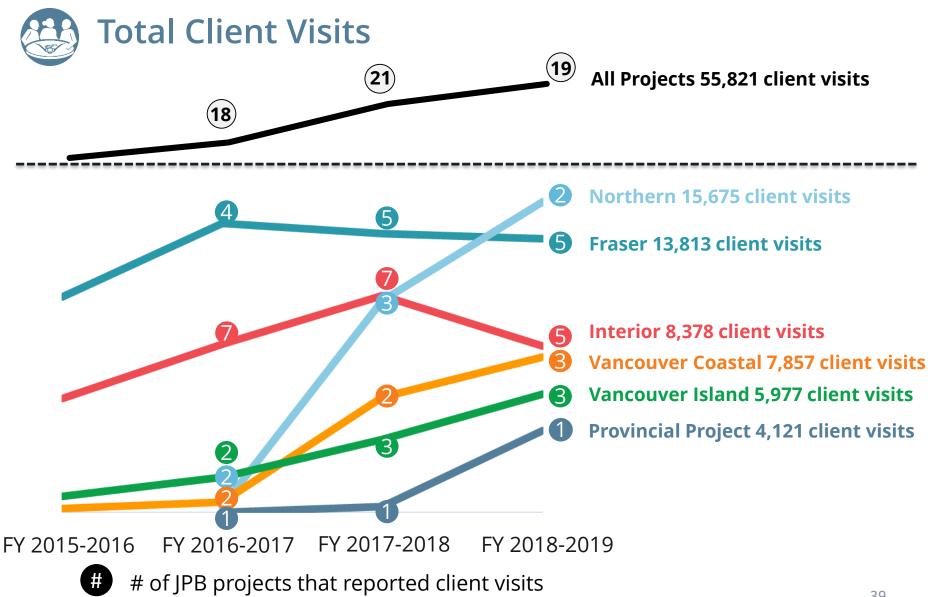
# Strategies employed by JPB projects to address access barriers within a continuum of healthcare access

#### JPB projects' **Adaptations to** <u>*Health Services*</u> (push)

E.g. Creating welcoming, non-clinical spaces and programming; long-term employees	E.g. Staff characteristics, experience and training; adopting client-driven approaches		E.g. Supporting sustainable financial models; supporting efficient use of health care resources	E.g. Adapting services to need; addressing cultural safety and humility; increasing quality of care and QI initiatives		
<u>Health Services'</u> Approachability	Acceptability	Availability and Accommodation	Affordability	Appropriateness		
Health Care Need       Perception of need and desire for care       Health Care Seeking       Health Care Reaching       Health Care Utilization       Health Outcome         Individuals' continuum of healthcare access and needs*       Individuals       In						
Individuals' Ability to perceive	Ability to seek	Ability to reach	Ability to pay	Ability to engage		
E.g. Health fairs, health screening Visibility in community E.g. Resource lists, pamphlets on services & rights		Navigating FNHB MT program,		E.g. Advocacy Self-management Cultural safety supports		
JPB projects' <b>Supports for</b> <u>Individuals</u> (pull)						

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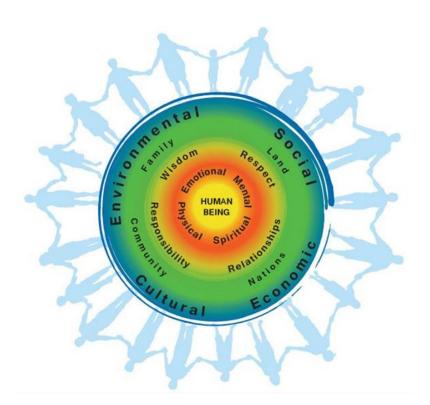
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As a result of the project, **wellness was** integrated into the delivery of care 12% Neutral 88% Strongly Agree or Agree

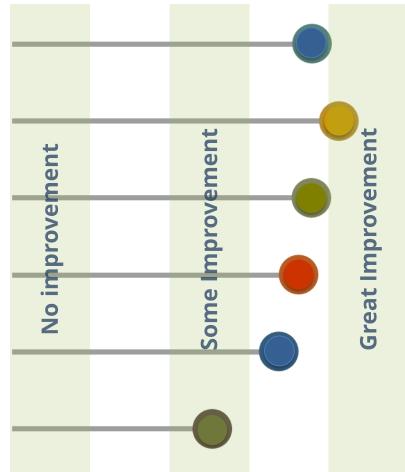
As a result of the project, **cultural safety and humility of care improved** 







### Improvements in Service Accessibility



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Degree to which services can be easily identified, understood and navigated

Overall accessibility of services

Availability of services (geographic proximity)

Flexibility of services to accommodate client needs

**Timeliness of services** 

Ability to recruit and retain healthcare workers



### Key Messages on Service Delivery Barriers and Mitigation Strategies (FY 2018-2019)

- Coordination of Care, Service Utilization, and Technology Integration remained key barriers to JPB project service delivery
  - Coordination of Care: client record / charting issues and difficulty in reaching clients for follow-up
  - Service Utilization: restricted provider availability; clients unaware of services
  - Technology Integration: Lack of access to health authority EMR; multiple EMRs that are not integrated

JPB projects implemented several strategies to address these barriers:
 Building relationships with other local health facilities and staff
 Peer referrals and involvement to increase uptake of services
 Exploring other options for medical record management to access health authority EMRs

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# Top Reported Service Delivery Barriers

Coordination of Care	Service Utilization, Access, Availability	Technology Integration
Client record/charting issues (other than lack of EMR) <b>(44%)</b>	Restricted provider hours/availability <b>(56%)</b>	Lack of access to health authority EMR <b>(44%)</b>
Clients difficult to reach for follow-up (40%)	Clients unaware of services (48%)	Multiple EMRs that are not integrated <b>(40%)</b>
Lack of communication between service delivery organizations <b>(36%)</b>	Clients don't trust/know the providers yet <b>(44%)</b>	No EMR implemented in community <b>(32%)</b>
Lack of clarity concerning roles and responsibilities between service delivery organizations <b>(36%)</b>	Location of service difficult for clients to get to <b>(24%)</b>	
Confusion over coordination of services or resources among multiple funding recipients <b>(32%)</b>	Clinicians not working to their full scope of practice. (24%)	43



issues (83%)



# **Top Service Delivery Barriers by Funding Recipient**

First Nations Organization(s) (10)	FNHA (3)	Health Authority (6)	Projects with Multiple Recipients (6)
Lack of access to health authority EMR <b>(50%)</b>	Multiple EMRs that are not integrated <b>(67%)</b>	Restricted provider hours (e.g. only available in daytime) <b>(67%)</b>	Clients unaware of services <b>(100%)</b>
Restricted provider hours <b>(40%)</b>	Clients don't trust/know the providers yet <b>(67%)</b>	Clients don't trust/know the providers yet <b>(50%)</b>	Restricted provider hours <b>(83%)</b>
Lack of communication between service delivery organizations (40%)	Lack of clarity concerning roles and responsibilities between service delivery organizations <b>(67%)</b>	Integration of EMR/ health information systems with other systems <b>(50%)</b>	Lack of access to other health information systems. <b>(83%)</b>
Coordination of Care			No EMR implemented in community <b>(83%)</b>
Service Utilization, Access, Availability Technology Integration	Perceived privacy barrier to info sharing <b>(83%)</b>		
	l		Client record / charting



# What We Heard from Narrative Reports about **Coordination of Care**

#### Strategies (employed/planned)

- **Building relationships** between project staff, service providers and partners in local health facilities and organizations
- **Integration** with other local health service providers and organizations
- Team-based approaches (e.g. collaboration between multiple disciplines and traditional healers informs appropriate mental wellness approaches and substance use treatments)
- Strengthening partnerships with health
   authorities
   "The establishment of clinical team meetings afforded

#### "The establishment of clinical team meetings afforded clinicians (counsellors, NP/GPs, nurses) the opportunity to collaborate and discuss challenging clients, polypharmacy, treatment options, as well as develop communication and client-flow pathways." -JPB Narrative Report Respondent

#### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

- Fund / create multi-disciplinary teams with traditional healers, social workers, and psychiatrists to provide appropriate mental health and substance use services
- Establish a 'crisis' fund to address urgent situations, transportation, and social determinants of health



# What We Heard from Narrative Reports about **Service Utilization**

#### Strategies (employed/planned)

- **Peer referrals and involvement** to increase uptake of services (e.g. community member clients share experiences in talk circle and provide support / info to potential clients)
- Ensuring services are culturally safe, protect confidentiality and establish trust with clients
- Integrating community voices into service delivery
- Using a combination of in-person and virtual service delivery
- Setting appointments at the same time every week and sending reminders for upcoming sessions to establish routine and encourage service utilization

#### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

- Funding to increase flexibility of services (e.g. funding to provide outof-business-hour services)
- FNHA to voice interests of rural and remote communities that are not served well by current model
- Mental health needs assessment at the community level

"[Peers] played a huge role in recruiting potential clients and ensuring that clients consistently attended the sessions."

-JPB Narrative Report Respondent





What We Heard from Narrative Reports about Information Management / Information Technology (IM / IT)

#### Strategies (employed/planned)

- Exploring other options for charting / medical records management to access Health Authority EMR (e.g. purchasing MedAccess, Meditech)
- Working to gain access to EMR through local health authority
- Providing physicians with satellite-enabled laptops to enhance access to EMRs within remote communities
- Developing charting system / tools / procedures

#### Suggestions (to Joint Project Board)

- Fund EMR-related expenses / provide all primary care providers with health authority EMR access
  - Full Integration of EMR systems

"Multiple EMRS that are not integrated ... [Staff are] having to do duplicate charting (hospital chart, physician EMR and program records/ patient file). This is time consuming."

-JPB Narrative Report Respondent



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# Appendix: JPB Project Evaluations



### JPB Project Evaluations: Status Update

#### Evaluations Completed to Date (results still to be released)

- Kwakwaka'wakw Primary Maternal, Child and Family Health Collaborative Team – Vancouver Island Region
- Riverstone Home/Mobile Detox and Daytox Expansion Fraser Salish Region

### **Evaluations for Possible Future Consideration by the Regions**

- Northern St'át'imc Shared Services Interior Region
- Mental Wellness and Substance Use Virtual Team and Opioid Funds -Vancouver Coastal Region
- Coastal Tsimshian Primary Health Care Team Northern Region
- Mental Wellness Substance Use Mobile Support Teams Northern Region