

# Urban and Away-from-Home Engagement



First Nations Health Authority  
Health through wellness

The First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) is planning to engage with the urban and away-from-home population (UAH), BC First Nations, urban Indigenous organizations and health system partners in each region.

**Urban and Away from Home** includes status and non-status First Nations people in BC who live in:

- an urban area or city
- a rural, remote or isolated area that is not in a First Nations community or on a reserve
- a reserve that is away from their home community



## Who do we want to hear from?

The First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) is planning to engage with the urban and away-from-home population (UAH), BC First Nations, urban Indigenous organizations and health system partners in each region.

## What is our goal?

To create and improve UAH engagement and communications pathways with our partners to support FNHA health and wellness planning.

## Where will engagement take place?

Engagement will take place throughout the province in-person and virtually. There is also an online engagement survey available for those who are unable to attend in-person and virtual events. Engagement will also take place at larger provincial events such as the All Native Basketball Tournament, Gathering Our Voices and Junior All Native Basketball Tournament.

## When will engagement take place?

Engagement will take place starting in March 2023, beginning with in-person engagement in the Northern region.

**Step 1: Plan & Design**  
Winter 2022

**Step 2: Engage**  
Starting Winter 2023

**Step 3: Finalize Framework & Report**  
Winter 2025

## Why are we doing this work?

As noted in FNHA's **Urban and Away-from-Home Health and Wellness Framework**, there is a need to create engagement and communication pathways and understand how to best communicate with the urban and away-from-home population in BC to support health and wellness planning.

For more information, please visit the FNHA UAH webpage at [www.fnha.ca/uah](http://www.fnha.ca/uah) or contact the FNHA UAH Team at [UAH@fnha.ca](mailto:UAH@fnha.ca).