Our Shared Vision

HEALTHY, SELF-DETERMINING AND VIBRANT BC FIRST NATIONS CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES.

Directives

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

Our Shared Values

Respect       Discipline       Relationships       Culture       Excellence       Fairness

Grounding Our Work

Our work is grounded in the First Nations Perspective on Health and Wellness. A wholistic vision, encompassing the emotional, physical, mental and spiritual aspects of life. Shared by First Nations in BC to support the First Nations health transformation journey in BC.

Health Governance

The First Nations Health Governance structure belongs to First Nations in BC. It consists of political representation, leadership, and advocacy through the regionally-appointed 15-member First Nations Health Council; technical advice and capacity development on behalf of First Nations community Health Directors and Health Managers through the First Nations Health Directors Association; and health service delivery and associated partnership and leadership functions through the First Nations Health Authority (including the services formerly delivered in BC by Health Canada's First Nations Inuit Health Branch Pacific Region).

The FNHA, FNHC, and FNHDA receive direction from community leadership and Nations throughout the five regions of the province through community engagement sessions.

The Tripartite Committee on First Nations Health is the forum for coordinating and aligning programming and planning efforts between the FNHA, BC Health Authorities, the BC Ministry of Health, and Health Canada Partners.
FIRST NATIONS
HEALTH GOVERNANCE JOURNEY IN BC

NOVEMBER 2005
Transformative Change Accord

NOVEMBER 2006
First Nations Health Plan

FEBRUARY 2007
First Nations Health Council Created

JUNE 2007
Tripartite First Nations Health Plan

APRIL 2009
First Nations Health Society Created

NOVEMBER 2006
First Nations Health Plan Memorandum of Understanding

FEBRUARY 2008
First Nations Interim Health Governance Committee Formed

FEBRUARY 2007
Tripartite First Nations Health Plan

APRIL 2010
First Nations Health Directors Association Formed

JUNE 2007
Tripartite First Nations Health Plan

APRIL 2012
First Nations Health Society becomes Interim First Nations Health Authority

JUNE 2008
Regional Caucuses Formed

FEBRUARY 2011
Tripartite Framework Agreement on First Nations Health Governance

MAY 2012
BC First Nations endorse Consensus Paper 2012

APRIL 2010
First Nations Health Directors Association

JULY 2008
Five of five regional Partnership Accords between Regional Caucuses, Regional Health Authorities, and the FNHA are now Signed and Completed

APRIL 2011
First Nations Health Society

MARCH 2016
FNHC and BC MoU on 10-Year Social Determinants Strategy

JULY 2015
Provincial Health System Declaration of Commitment: Cultural Safety and Humility in Health Services for First Nations and Aboriginal People in BC

FEBRUARY 2017
FNHC Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada MoU on Children and Family

DECLARATION of COMMITMENT
In July, 2015, all BC Health Authority CEOs signed the declaration to demonstrate their commitment to advancing cultural humility and cultural safety within health services.

This Declaration of Commitment is based on the following guiding principles of cultural safety and humility:

- Cultural humility builds mutual trust and respect and enables cultural safety
- Cultural safety is defined by each individual client’s health service experience.
- Cultural safety must be understood, embraced and practiced at all levels of the health system including governance, health organizations and within individual professional practice.
- All partners, including First Nations and Aboriginal individuals, Elders, families, communities, and Nations must be involved in co-development of action strategies and in the decision-making process with a commitment to reciprocal accountability.

MAY 2011
7 Directives Established and Consensus Paper 2011 endorsed by First Nations in BC

MAY 2011
First Nations Health Council

NOVEMBER 2006
Transformative Change Accord: First Nations Health Plan

DECEMBER 2012
Health Partnership Accord

JULY 2012
Interim First Nations Health Authority becomes First Nations Health Authority

JULY 2012
Regional Appointed First Nations Health Council

MARCH 2016
FNHC and BC MoU

JULY 2010
Basis for a Framework Agreement on First Nations Health Governance

APRIL 2016
FNHC Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada MoU on Children and Family

FEBRUARY 2017
FNHC Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada MoU on Children and Family

JULY 2018
Tripartite Partnership to Improve Mental Health and Wellness Services and Achieve Progress on the Determinants of Health and Wellness MoU

FEBRUARY 2017
FNHC Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada MoU on Children and Family