



Aboriginal Youth HIV Education Program

Who we are

What we do



Our YouthCO Family



- Our goal is to reduce the impact of HIV and Hep C on the youth of BC
 - High school education
 - Harm Reduction- Street outreach, drop-in
 - Empowerment- gay men's education and social program
 - Yúsnewas- Aboriginal youth program
 - Support groups
 - Volunteer opportunities, community

Why youth-specific sexual health education is important

- When we are talking about sex, people often feel a little awkward
- Sometimes young people feel like they're told '*what to do*' instead of '*how to do these things safer*'
- This can create barriers to having open and honest dialogue about prevention and protection

Our Values

Youth-driven

Inclusive

Sex-positive

Harm-reduction

Anti-oppression

Safe spaces for youth to learn

- Decolonizing language
- Inclusivity
- Safety

Youth-friendly sexual health resources

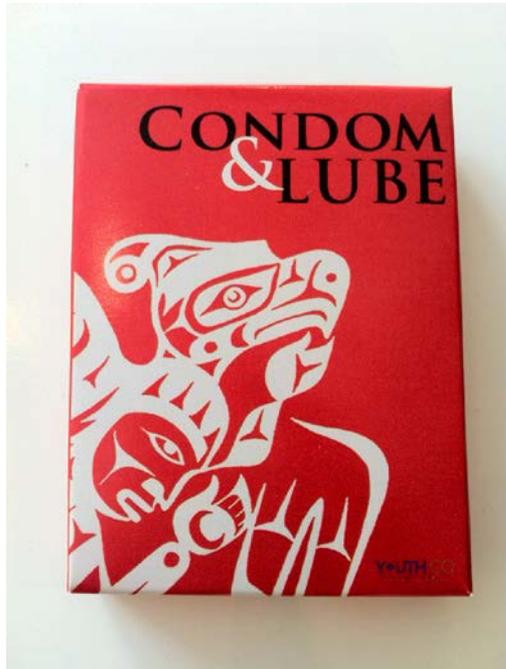
Gearing Up to Get Down



YOUTH CO
YOUTH LEADING THE HIV & HEP C MOVEMENT

The goods on HIV, safer sex, and protecting your parts

Condom Packs



Youth-made short videos



Come Home
You Are Not Alone
How to Talk About Sex

Case Study

Our relationship with the Bella Bella Heiltsuk
Health Center and Community School

Budget

Item	Details	Cost
Travel	\$636 round trip x 1 facilitator	\$636
Lodging	\$0, nurses housing	\$0
Per Diems	\$40/day x 6 days	\$240
Prizes	\$150, participation prizes for learning games	\$150
Total		\$1,026

Community Feedback

- The nurses have reported that:
 - they have had more young people asking about sexual health information
 - More youth feeling comfortable asking for condoms
 - More young women adhering to contraception use

What impact can these small changes have on community?

Questions?

Gathering Wisdom
for a Shared Journey VI



HIV & AIDS Harm Reduction Youth Panel

Moderator:

Tammy Watson

Panelists:

Christina Tom

Jeremy Jones

Matthew Louie

Jessica Jean