

Health care providers' Awareness of Traditional and Cultural Treatments in Vancouver

WHAT WE FOUND

56% of Indigenous participants felt their healthcare provider (examples: family doctor, nurse practitioner) was aware of traditional and cultural treatments

People who felt their **health care provider was aware of traditional and cultural treatments** were more likely to:



Be involved in their **treatment decisions**



Feel **comfort** with their provider or clinic



Receive care from social support workers

More work is needed to improve culturally safe care, including mandatory cultural safety education and training programs for healthcare workers.

CONTEXT

- Indigenous people who use drugs experience barriers accessing healthcare, including lack of culturally safe services.
- Integrating Indigenous traditional and cultural treatments in health care is one way to make health care more culturally safe.

ABOUT THIS INFO

VIDUS and ACCESS are ongoing studies of people who use street drugs in Vancouver by the BCCSU. For more information, email: VIDUS@bccsu.ubc.ca

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