“As a member of the FNIGC Board, I make sure BC First Nations’ interests are brought forward to the national body. Together, the Board makes sure that we have professional staff in place to carry out our work, especially when it comes to protecting privacy. We will make sure that BC First Nations’ survey responses are respected and protected!”

- Gwen Phillips, FNIGC Board member for BC and First Nations Health Council member

* The FNIGC Board is the governance body that oversees the implementation of National surveys such as REEES and the RHS.
The FNHA is committed to keeping your information safe.

We take the safety and security of your information seriously. Here are some of the steps we take to ensure this:

- Everyone involved in the REEES will sign confidentiality agreements, including the data collectors.
- Personal information, including names and addresses will be kept separate from survey answers. This information is kept strictly confidential and protected by the FNHA.
- Once the survey is complete it cannot be re-opened on the Field Worker’s laptop. The surveys are synced to a secure FNHA server and no information is stored on the laptop.
- No one in the community will be able to access anyone’s survey.
- No individual data is released in any report or publication.
- Information collected by the REEES will only be published as “grouped results” with no information that could identify you.
- Data collectors will be trained and will sign confidentiality agreements to protect your privacy.
- Your involvement is voluntary. You can stop the interview or withdraw at any time.

“Once you finish the survey all of the data is sent to the FNHA’s secure data server. No one can reopen your survey or access the information you gave.”

How it works...

- Band Council Resolution or Letter of Understanding ensures that your Nation is onboard with the project.
- Your name is chosen at random from the band list.
- You will be contacted by a data collector.
- We will answer all your questions before we ask your consent to do the survey.
- You will be invited to fill out the survey on a laptop.
- Your answers will be uploaded to a secure FNHA server.
- Provincial, regional and community reports will be completed and shared.