



“Data governance is a foundation of Nation Re-building. In community we know what the issues are AND we have some of the solutions. What we need now, is data to show how well we are doing in areas of employment, education and early childhood development as well as other things (Social Determinants of Health), so we can build sound plans and make good investments.”

- 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.*



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For more information about the First Nations Regional Early Childhood Development, Education and Employment Survey (REEES) please visit www.fnha.ca



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A Survey for First Nations by First Nations

“The idea is for us to gather data that is meaningful to us.

Not just data for data’s sake, but data that speaks to us and enables us to take firm action.”

- Dr. Evan Adams, Deputy Provincial Health Officer

1) What is REEES?

The First Nations Regional Early Childhood Development, Education and Employment Survey (REEES) is a national survey that will provide valuable insight about how our Nations are doing in the areas of early childhood development, education and employment.

2) Why are we collecting this information?

The data collected from this survey will support policy and program development and inform decision-making that reflects the needs of First Nations communities. The REEES is by First Nations people for First Nations people.

3) How was I selected to take part in the survey?

Your community was one of 250 First Nations communities across Canada selected at random to take part in the REEES. Your name was randomly selected from your band or community membership list. This means that your name was chosen by chance which ensures that the people chosen to take part are representative of the entire population.

4) What types of questions will I be asked?

The REEES contains three separate questionnaires: one for children (up to 11-years-old), one for youth (12 to 17-years-old) and one for adults (18 years and older). Information will be collected about school attendance, school experiences, educational experiences, family support, tutoring, employment, unemployment, traditional activities, physical and mental health, knowledge of First Nations languages, and housing.



Chief Frank Wilson gifts Elder Leonard George at Gathering Wisdom for a Shared Journey VI.

5) How long will the survey take to finish?

The child survey will take about 30 minutes. The youth survey will take about 45 minutes. The adult survey may take up to 1 hour.

6) Where will my information go?

The FNHA is partnering with the First Nations Information Governance Centre (FNIGC), a non-profit First Nations organization to deliver the REEES.

Once the survey is complete information will be sent directly from survey laptop to FNHA servers. This information is kept completely confidential.

7) Why is my participation in the FNREEES important?

Your participation in this survey is voluntary, but very important. Your answers to these questions will make it possible to gather better information about childhood development, education and employment in your region. More complete information means better programs and planning to meet the needs of BC First Nations. You can also change your mind about doing the survey at any time.