



SURVEY OF COMMUNITY FACTORS INFLUENCING FIRST NATIONS HEALTH

(For Communities that participated in the 2002-03 First Nations Regional Longitudinal Health Survey-RHS)

INSTRUCTIONS: Mark (X) the answers that apply. If possible, please answer in reference to your community's situation in July 2003 or (if known) the time when the 2002-03 RHS survey took place in your community.

I. EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT

1. Does the First Nation have an **emergency plan**¹: Yes ___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: have community members and residents been made aware of this plan through newsletters or other communications from the First Nation? Yes ___ No___ Unknown___

2. Does the First Nation have an **Emergency Coordinator**: Yes ___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: Is the Emergency Coordinator **trained**² for that position Yes ___ No___ Unknown___

3. Over the past five years, have **tests been done to monitor for contaminants in:**

a) **the drinking water** within the First Nation territory Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: have contaminants been found in the drinking water Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: what kinds of contaminants were found in the drinking water

Specify type(s)_____

b) **the soil** within the First Nation territory Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: have contaminants been found in the soil Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: what kinds of contaminants were found in the soil

Specify type(s)_____

c) **the air quality** within the First Nation territory Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: have contaminants been found in the air Yes___ No___ Unknown___

IF YES: what kinds of contaminants were found in the soil

Specify type(s)_____

¹ Emergency Plans: Through a management accountability framework, regional offices of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) provide funding to First Nations to develop emergency plans for preparedness in the event of fire, flooding or other potentially hazardous situations.

² INAC emergency funding also provides for the training of First Nations Emergency Coordinators.

4. Does the First Nation have **bylaws in place to protect:**

- a) the community's **drinking water** Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- b) **the soil** within the First Nation territory (eg. from chemicals, oil or other contaminants) Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- c) the community's **air quality** (eg. from carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide or other pollutants) Yes__ No__ Unknown__

5. Are **any of the following situated within 100 km** of the First Nation:

- a chemical factory Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a coal-fired generating station Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a hydroelectric power plant Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a large scale farming operation Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a mine or quarry Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a nuclear power plant Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- an oil refinery Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- an oil or gas well Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- an oil or gas pipeline Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a pulp and paper mill Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- a grain elevator Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- train tracks Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- other (specify)_____ Yes__ No__ Unknown__

6. Over the past five years, has the First Nation experienced **any of the following hazards:**

- Chemical leak Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- Earthquake Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- Flooding Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- Forest fire Yes__ No__ Unknown__
- Oil/gas explosion Yes__ No__ Unknown__

7. Does the First Nation have a **water treatment facility:** Yes__ No__ Unknown__

IF YES:

- a) Does it meet the **appropriate federal or provincial/territorial standards?** Yes__ No__ Unknown__

IF NO:

- a) Has the First Nation been **lobbying** the government for a water treatment facility? Yes__ No__ Unknown__

8. For approximately what part of the last 5 years was the community under a **Boil Water Advisory**?

None of the time ___ 0-24% of the time ___ 25-49% of the time ___
50-74% of the time ___ 75%-99% of the time ___ 100% of the time ___

II. SHELTER AND INFRASTRUCTURE

1. Does the First Nation have a **community-based housing plan**: Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Does the First Nation have **the following**:

Capital to construct new homes- from the band	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Capital to construct new homes- from banks/lending institutions	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Capital to construct new homes- from grants	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Housing construction crews or workers	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Suitable parcels of land	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Access to technical expertise	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___
Funds for maintenance & repairs	Yes ___	No ___	Unknown ___

3. Is there a **waiting list for housing units** (houses, apartments, etc.) in the First Nation:
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES:

a) What **percentage of the adult population is on the waiting list**:

0-9% ___	10-19% ___	20-29% ___	30-39% ___
40-49% ___	50-59% ___	60-69% ___	70+% ___

b) **How long do people wait for housing** on average:

< 6 months ___	6 to 11 months ___	12 to 23 months ___	
2 to 3 years ___	4 to 6 years ___	7 to 9 years ___	10+ years ___

4. Approximately what proportion of **homes in the First Nation community have the following services (mark for each)**:

a) **Proportion of homes with hydro electricity**:

0-19% ___ 20-39% ___ 40-59% ___ 60-79% ___ 80-99% ___ 100% ___

b) **Proportion of homes with indoor plumbing**

0-19% ___ 20-39% ___ 40-59% ___ 60-79% ___ 80-99% ___ 100% ___

c) **Proportion of homes with potable drinking water**

0-19% ___ 20-39% ___ 40-59% ___ 60-79% ___ 80-99% ___ 100% ___

5. Are most homes in the community **heated by (check one)**:

Gas ___ Oil ___ Propane ___ Electric (baseboards) ___

Wood burning ___ Other (specify) _____

6. Are the First Nation **roads regularly maintained** according to the formal written standards (federal, provincial, municipal or First Nations)?

Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

7. Is the community accessible by:

Road, year-round ___ Winter road only ___ No road in ___

8. Is the First Nation **participating in the following programs to promote energy efficiency and/or the use of alternative energy sources in First Nations homes**:

Innovative Housing Program (INAC) Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

EnerGuide for New Houses Program (Natural Resources Canada) Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Other (specify) _____ Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

9. **How much does it cost to heat the average home** in the First Nation for a year:

Less than \$500/yr ___ From \$500–\$999/yr ___ From \$1000–\$1499/yr ___

From \$1500–\$1999/yr ___ From \$2000–\$2999/yr ___ From \$3000–\$3999/yr ___

\$4000 or more/yr ___

III. FOOD

1. Does the First Nation **promote nutritional education and awareness** on the importance of a healthy diet? Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES:

What **nutritional education and awareness programs** are offered in the community:

Aboriginal Head Start On Reserve (AHSOR) Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Breastfeeding support groups Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program (CPNP) Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Community Health Nurse/CHR programs Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Community Kitchen Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Diabetes educator programs on nutrition/diet Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Dietitian or nutritionist programs and services Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Other (specify) _____ Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Where can people living in the community buy fresh store-bought foods? **(If availability varies through the year, think of the typical situation):**

	In community store daily	In community store at least once a week	In store within 20 km by road	Store 21-100 km away by road	Only by air or > 100 km by road	Don't know
Fresh fruits	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Fresh vegetables	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Fresh meat	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]

3. **About how much does it typically cost** for people living in the community to buy the following items (Either at a local store or from an outside grocery store, whichever is cheaper. If the price fluctuates through the year, estimate the average.):

A loaf of bread	Costs about _____	Not available ____
400 g. of cheddar cheese	Costs about _____	Not available ____
A dozen eggs	Costs about _____	Not available ____
10 kg. bag of flour	Costs about _____	Not available ____
4 liters of milk (3 bags)	Costs about _____	Not available ____
1 kg. jar of peanut butter	Costs about _____	Not available ____
10 lbs. of potatoes	Costs about _____	Not available ____
16–19 fl.oz. can of soup	Costs about _____	Not available ____
6 oz. can of tuna	Costs about _____	Not available ____
5 lbs of sugar	Costs about _____	Not available ____
5 lbs of apples	Costs about _____	Not available ____

4. **Are the following traditional country foods a) available when in season for hunting or gathering, and b) healthy to eat** (eg. there are no public health advisories warning against consumption):

Fish	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Caribou	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Deer	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Moose	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Wild rice	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Berries	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Geese	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Other (specify)	a) available	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___	b) healthy	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

5. **Does the First Nation have:**

Classes on budget shopping	Yes___	No ___	Unknown ___
Cooking classes	Yes___	No ___	Unknown ___
Community garden	Yes___	No ___	Unknown ___
Community greenhouse	Yes___	No ___	Unknown ___

6. Other than the Northern Air Stage Program (Food Mail Program)³ administered by INAC, has the First Nation made any arrangements for **bulk purchasing of food items** to reduce the cost of food:

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IV. EMPLOYMENT/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Of **all the jobs in the community**, approximately what proportion are **jobs working for the First Nation band** (ie. working in the band office, the health centre or wherever the First Nation band is the employer):

0–19% of the jobs ___ 20–39% of the jobs ___ 40–59% of the jobs ___
60–79% of the jobs ___ 80–99% of the jobs ___ 100% of the jobs ___

2. Of **all the jobs in the community**, approximately what proportion are **filled by First Nations people**

0–19% ___ 20–39% ___ 40–59% ___ 60–79% ___ 80–99% ___ 100% ___

3. Of those **community members who graduated from college or university in the last five years**, approximately what proportion of them are **now working in the community**. (Note: Count only those who were living in the community just before or during their studies.)

0–19% ___ 20–39% ___ 40–59% ___ 60–79% ___ 80–99% ___ 100%___

4. Of all the **members living in the community who have jobs**, approximately what proportion of them work outside the community:

0–9% ___ 20–39% ___ 40–59% ___ 60–79% ___ 80–99% ___ 100%___

5. **Among those members living in the community but working outside of the community**, on average approximately how far do they have to go to get to work (one way)?

0 – 4km ___ 5–9 km ___ 10–19 km ___ 20–29 km ___ 30–49 km ___
50–69 km ___ 70–89 km ___ 50–69 km ___

³ INAC administers the Northern Air Stage Program, also known as the Food Mail Program, which reduces the cost of food in isolated communities somewhat by providing funding to Canada Post for transporting nutritious, perishable foods by air.

6. Does the **community have any of the following:**

Bank	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Campground facility	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Casino	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Convenience store	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Craft store	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Eco-tourism facility	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Employment centre/services	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Grocery store	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Gas station	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Hiking, walking trails	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Hotel or motel	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Other lodging (eg. Cabins)	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Marina	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Museum	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Restaurant or café	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Seniors' residence	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Community radio station	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Community TV station	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Year-round road access	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Year-round access by plane, train or boat	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

7. **What proportion of the businesses in the community** are owned by community members or by the band: (Mark N/A if no businesses)

0–19% ___ 20–39% ___ 40–59% ___ 60–79% ___ 80–99% ___ 100%___ N/A___

V. EDUCATION

1. Does the First Nation **manage its own post-secondary program?** Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES: How many **post-secondary students** was the First Nation supporting in:

1997–98 _____ 2003–04 _____ N/A _____

2. Does the First Nation have any of **the following:**

Adult education program	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Computer Internet access site ⁴	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Distance education program	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Library	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Training resource centre	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

⁴ Computer Internet access sites could include internet cafés, adult learning centres or other public facilities in the community where community members and residents can access the Internet.

3. Does the First Nation **have a school or schools:**

Yes (one school) ___ Yes (more than one school) ___
No (no schools) ___ Unknown ___

IF YES, one or more schools: What is the highest grade offered?

Kindergarten only ___ Between Grade 1 to 5 ___ Grade 6 ___
Grade 7 or 8 ___ Grade 9 ___ Grade 10 or 11 ___
Grade 12 ___ College/CEGEP ___ Other (specify) _____

4. **What proportion primary and secondary school-age children are enrolled in the community school(s)** (as opposed to in other outside schools):

0–19% ___ 20–39% ___ 40–59% ___ 60–79% ___ 80–99% ___ 100% ___

5. Do(es) the First Nation community school(s):

- a) **Include First Nations language instruction** in the curriculum Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
- b) **Include First Nations culture and traditions** in the curriculum Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
- c) **Promote healthy living** in the curriculum Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
- d) **Offer a:**
 - breakfast program Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
 - lunch program Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
- e) **Have a policy on:**
 - nutrition Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
 - physical activity Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

6. Is the school (or are most of the schools) **controlled and managed by the First Nation?**

Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

7. Does the **community have:**

Its own daycare centre or centres Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Home daycare in the community Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Aboriginal Head Start in the community Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Pre-school drop-in centre in the community Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Access to local external daycare centre Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Access to local external pre-school programs Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

VI. JUSTICE, SAFETY AND SECURITY

1. Does the First Nation **receive policing services through (answer yes or no for each):**

An independent, self-managed police authority for the individual First Nation (e.g. band constable) Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

First Nations collective police authority: PTO level Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

First Nations collective police authority: tribal council level Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Municipal police force Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
 Provincial or territorial police force Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
 Federal police force (RCMP) Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Rank all of the service options listed above in order of **which is used most** (write the numbers from 1 to 6 beside each applicable service - 1 is the service used the most, 6 is the service used the least. If there are only two services, make 1 for the most, 2 for the least used):

Municipal police force _____ Provincial or territorial police force _____
 Federal police force (RCMP) _____ First Nations collective police authority (PTO) _____
 First Nations collective police authority (tribal council) _____
 Individual First Nation police authority _____

3. **Of the police services stationed outside** of the community used by the First Nation (eg. municipal), what is the **average response time to attend to a call in the First Nation community (check one)**:

0–4 min. _____ 5–9 min. _____ 10–14 min. _____ 15–19 min. _____
 20–29 min. _____ 30–49 min. _____ 50+ min. _____

4. Over the past five years, have any of the following changed:

a) The number of **break-ins** in the community?

Fewer break-ins ___ More break-ins ___ No change ___ N/A ___

IF FEWER: Approximately how much less? (check one)

25% less ___ 50% less ___ 75% less ___ 100% (i.e. no break-ins) ___

IF MORE: Approximately how much more? (check one)

25% more ___ 50% more ___ 75% more ___ 100% more or higher (at least double) ___

b) The number of **youth arrests** in the community?

Fewer youth arrests ___ More youth arrests ___ No change ___ N/A ___

IF FEWER: Approximately how much less? (check one)

25% less ___ 50% less ___ 75% less ___ 100% (i.e. no youth arrests) ___

IF MORE: Approximately how much more? (check one)

25% more ___ 50% more ___ 75% more ___ 100% more or higher (at least double) ___

c) The number of children or **youth detained to substance use/abuse problems?**

Fewer detentions ___ More detentions ___ No change ___ N/A ___

IF FEWER: Approximately how much less? (check one)

25% less___ 50% less___ 75% less___ 100% (i.e. no youth arrests)___

IF MORE: Approximately how much more? (check one)

25% more___ 50% more___ 75% more___ 100% more or higher (at least double)___

d) The number of **impaired driving charges** for community members?

Fewer impaired driving charges ___ More impaired driving charges ___
No change ___ N/A ___

IF FEWER: Approximately how much less? (check one)

25% less___ 50% less___ 75% less___ 100% (i.e. no impaired driving charges)___

IF MORE: Approximately how much more? (check one)

25% more___ 50% more___ 75% more___ 100% more or higher (at least double)___

5. Does the First Nation have a **fire department with trained staff stationed in the community:**

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF NO:

a) Can the community **access local external fire-fighting services** within 50 km?

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

b) What is the **average response time** for the external fire-fighting service to reach the First Nation?

0–4 min.____ 5–9 min.____ 10–14 min. ____ 15–19 min. ____ 20–29 min.____
30–49 min.____ 50+ min.____

6. Does the First Nation have **ambulance services stationed in the community** (vehicle and operator, whether by automobile or air ambulance):

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF NO:

a) Can the community **access external ambulance services** within 50 km?

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

b) What is the **average response time** for the external ambulance service to reach the First Nation?

0 – 4 min.____ 5 – 9 min.____ 10 – 14 min. ____ 15 – 19 min. ____ 20 – 29 min.____
30 – 49 min.____ 50+ min.____

7. Does the First Nation have its own **Emergency Response Team**: Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES:

Is the team fully trained to respond to a wide range of emergencies? Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

8. **Does the First Nation have:**

A community policing advisory board or committee to give direction to the policing services used by the First Nation? Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Community meetings or events to promote good police/community relations? Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Appeal processes or mechanisms to deal with community members' complaints regarding police activity? Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

VII. HEALTH SERVICES

1. Does the First Nation have **any of the following (answer yes or no for each)**:

Physicians stationed in the community every day Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Physicians visiting the community at least weekly Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Nurses stationed in the community every day Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Nurses visiting the community at least weekly Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Physiotherapist visiting the community at least every 3 months Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Speech pathologist visiting the community at least every 3 months Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Dentists stationed in the community every day Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Dentists visiting the community at least twice/year Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Traditional healers stationed in the community Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Traditional healers visiting the community at least twice/yr Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

A community health centre Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Transition Home (from hospital to home) Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Senior Residence/Seniors Centre Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Are **traditional healing services accessible** through the health centre or community health program? Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

3. Does the First Nation have a **hospital**: Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

a) **IF NO**: how close is the nearest hospital:

0–24 km___ 25–49 km___ 50–74 km___ 75–99 km___ 100+ km___

b) **IF NO**: Is the hospital accessible by:

Road, year-round ___ Road, part of the year ___ Air only ___

4. **Which of the following health services does the First Nation offer (answer yes or no for each):**

Alcohol and drug counselling	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Alcohol and drug treatment program	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Alcohol/drug residential treatment facility	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Diabetes prevention programs	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Diabetes management programs	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Dietitian/nutritionist services	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
FASD prevention and awareness	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
FASD assessment and diagnosis	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Suicide prevention	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Home and community care	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Mental health counselling	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Mental health treatment program	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Mental health treatment facility	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Pre- and post-natal care	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Smoking cessation program	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Special needs diagnosis and treatment	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Speech /Language pathologist	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

5. Does the First Nation have any of **the following for community members' use (answer yes or no for each):**

Arena	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Baseball diamond	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Basketball or volleyball courts	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Beach or outdoor swimming area	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Canoes, kayaks or paddleboats	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Fitness equipment (eg. treadmills, weights)	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Golf course	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Skating rink (indoor or outdoor)	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Ski equipment/trails	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Sports equipment (eg. archery, lacrosse)	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Track for running, walking	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___
Swimming pool (indoor or outdoor)	Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

VIII. SOCIAL SERVICES

1. Does the First Nation **administer its own income support programs** (social assistance, welfare, disability support, etc):

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Of those community members on income support, approximately **what is the average length of time they receive this support (check one):**

Less than 1 month ___ 1–3 months ___ 4–6 months ___ 7–11 months ___
12–17 months ___ 18–23 months ___ 2–3 years ___ 4 years or more ___

3. Has the First Nation developed **its own policies related to income support?**
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

4. Is there **a safe care area**, such as a shelter or transition house for victims of violence:
situated in the First Nation community? Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
within 50 km of the First Nation? Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

5. Does the First Nation have **any of the following:**

youth centre	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth committee or council	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth drug/alcohol awareness programs	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth employment program	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth events (eg. regular monthly dances)	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth mentoring program	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
youth suicide awareness and prevention programs	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

IX. IDENTITY ISSUES

1. Does the First Nation have **any of the following related to First Nations languages:**

Adult language classes	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Language camps	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Language instruction or immersion in school	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Language instruction or immersion in day care	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
Language teacher training	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___
First Nation employee policy on using the language	Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

2. Does the First Nation have **any of the following related to First Nations culture and traditions:**

Ceremonial events reflecting community spiritual beliefs
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Cultural activities in the community (eg. powwows, feasts, potlatches)
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Cultural teachings shared with community members and others
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Cultural workshops on community history, culture or customs
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

Cultural centre or facility specifically designated for cultural use
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

3. Is the First Nation involved in initiatives to '**repatriate' children and youth that were previously adopted out or removed by child and family services** (reconnect them to their original First Nation community):

Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES: over the last five years, about how many children and youth have been 'repatriated' or are in the process of being 'repatriated':

0-4 ___ 5-9 ___ 10-19 ___ 20-29 ___ 30 or more ___

4. Does the First Nation **manage its own membership list**: Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

5. Has the First Nation **developed its own membership code**?
Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

6. Approximately, what proportion of children (15 yrs and under) now living in the First Nation community are designated as **6(2) under the Indian Act**⁵

0 - 19% ___ 20 - 39% ___ 40-59% ___ 60 - 79% ___ 80 - 99% ___ 100% ___

X. FIRST NATIONS GOVERNANCE

1. Is the First Nation Council/government currently **negotiating any self-government agreements** for greater control or lawmaking authority:

Yes ___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES: in what sector(s)? Check all that apply:

Education ___ Governance ___ Health ___ Justice ___

Land claim agreement ___ Policing ___ Social Services ___

Other ___

⁵ * According to Indian Affairs, a child can be registered under section 6(1) if both their parents are Registered Indians. A child can be registered under 6(2) if one of their parents is registered under Subsection 6(1) and the other lacks Indian status. A child is not entitled to registration if one parent is registered under 6(2) and the other is non-Indian.

2. Does the First Nation **manage and control its own health centre?**

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

3. Has the First Nation Council/government **designated governing authority to any of the following other bodies** within the First Nation (mark yes or no for each):

Child and family service agency Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Daycare centre Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Economic development corporation Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

First Nation education authority Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Land claim board of trustees Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Lending institution (e.g. bank) Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

4. Does the First Nation Council/government provide members with **regular updates on Chief and Council activity** (e.g. by newsletter):

Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

IF YES: are these issued:

Daily ___ Weekly ___ Monthly ___ Every two months ___

2–5 times/year ___ Once/year ___ From time to time as required ___

5. Does the First Nation Council/government **receive input from any of the following:**

Youth council, committee or group Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Elders council, committee or group Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

Women's council, committee or group Yes___ No ___ Unknown ___

6. At this time, how many the First Nation Council/government councilors /members are **male? How many are female?:**

a) Number of **male** councillors/government members _____

b) Number of **female** councillors/government members _____

7. At this time, is the Chief (leader of the community) a woman or man?

Woman___ **Man**___

XI. WRAP-UP QUESTIONS

1. In thinking about all the areas covered in this survey (environment, shelter and infrastructure, food, employment, economic development, education, justice, safety and security, health, social services, identity and governance issues), ***which, if any, stand out as the main things that impact First Nations health?***

2. In ***what ways might these be addressed*** to help improve First Nations health?

3. Can you think of ***any other factors that could have a major impact on First Nations health***, and if so, what are they?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!