



Knowledge Product Content

KP1. Guided by the Strategy, Driven by Community: The Red River Métis Path to Equitable Cancer Care

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KP2. Yukon First Nation Cancer Strategy Visual

Submitted by: Kira Makuk, Government of Yukon

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KP3. Cancer Knowledge and Data- Truths and Commitments

Submitted by: Kira Makuk, Government of Yukon

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KP4. Improving the Journey for Yukon First Nation Cancer Patients: First Nation Patient Navigation Pilot Programs in the Yukon

Submitted by: Kira Makuk, Government of Yukon; First Nation Health Programs at Yukon Hospital Corporation, Government of Yukon Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation Government

Content:

In the Yukon, cancer care presents unique and complex challenges, particularly for First Nation citizens. Historical impacts of colonialism, ongoing racism, and reliance on Western health service delivery creates barriers for Yukon First Nations accessing care that is culturally safe and equitable. Additionally, many

Yukon First Nations are required to travel long distances within the Yukon or to other jurisdictions to receive care. These barriers create delays in diagnosis and treatment and are associated with worse cancer outcomes. First Nation Cancer Navigators can play a critical role in addressing these disparities.

Purpose:

The Yukon is piloting a two-year First Nation Cancer Patient Navigator program at two sites to improve experiences and outcomes for Yukon First Nation patients and families with a known cancer diagnosis. Program Delivery: Navigation includes providing culturally safe care, emotional support, advocating for patients, coordinating medical travel, and facilitating traditional healing and ceremony. One navigator will operate out of the hospital and the other out of community. Sites operate independently but are working to establish coordination between the two settings to optimize continuity for patients when they travel for treatment.

Next Steps:

Lessons learned from evaluation of this program will inform future development of cancer navigation in both the acute care setting and in Yukon First Nation communities across the Territory. Further benefit from this program could improve partnership with BC Cancer and increase client coordination for their Indigenous Patient Navigation program, which currently serves Yukon patients travelling for treatment.

KP5. Cancer Screening Guide

Submitted by: Amanda Andrew, Otipemisiwak Métis Government's Health Department

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The Cancer Screening Guide provides information about the three cancer screening programs in Alberta (breast, cervical, and colorectal), including the screening guidelines, procedures, resources to help access screening, cancer prevention tips, and more. The guide is informed by cancer screening gatherings and telephone interviews with Métis Albertans in 2024. The guide will help to provide access to clear and accurate information about cancer screening to Métis Albertans.

KP6. Cancer Care Course: Métis People and Health

Submitted by: Amanda Andrew, Otipemisiwak Métis Government's Health Department

The Métis People and Health online course is targeted towards cancer care professionals in Alberta and across Canada. It provides an overview of who Métis people are, including their culture, history, approaches to health and well-being, and cancer care experiences.

Course Link: <https://albertametis.com/programs-services/health/health-research-and-advocacy/cancer-research/cancer-care-course-metis-people-and-health/>

Understand Métis Health and Cancer Care Experiences

Take the **Métis People and Health** online course to better understand the distinct history, culture, health and well-being of Métis people.



COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ∞ Understanding Métis peoples' distinct culture and identity
- ∞ Understanding historical and intergenerational trauma and the social determinants of health
- ∞ Employing culturally safe strategies when communicating with Métis clients
- ∞ Recognizing the structure and role of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government in supporting the health and wellness of Métis Albertans
- ∞ Recognizing the distinct health status of Métis Albertans compared to other Indigenous groups

This short e-learning public course is based on a larger e-learning course called *Métis Cancer Care* which is available at no cost to cancer care providers through the SE Health First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Program's e-learning platform [@YourSide Colleague](#). Funding for this course was provided by the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer.

WHERE TO TAKE THE COURSE:

This public course is available at no cost to cancer care providers in Alberta and across Canada through the following platforms:

albertametis.com



[SE Health First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Program](#)



[Alberta Health Services Employee Learning Platform \(MyLearning Link\)](#)



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