

# Evidence of Need and Interventions

## Synthesis Form

**Topic:** *Insert Name Here*

**Lead(s):** *Who is leading and contributing to this work*

**Standard:** *Identify which Standard requirements are linked to this assessment*

### Phase 1: Synthesis of local need evidence

*Briefly describe the **local need** regarding this topic by utilizing the following evidence.*

*Throughout this section, clearly identify which standard(s) the evidence supports.*

*Assigned staff to consult across Standards on this topic.*

Population Health Assessment	
<b>Population Health Burden</b> <i>Population health data related to burden of illness</i> <i>How do we compare to elsewhere? Are things getting worse? Yes/No</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Better off than Ontario, No difference, Worse than Ontario, Worse than NEO and Ontario</i></li> </ul> <i>Emerging trends:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Clearly identify timeframe (i.e. 1, 5, 10 years) and geographic location (i.e. local, regional, provincial, etc.)</i></li> </ul>	
	<i>Unique to district offices</i>
Risk and Protective Factors	
	<i>Unique to district offices</i>

**Target and Priority Populations<sup>1</sup>**

- *Who is most at risk of poor health outcomes due to the burden of disease and/or factors for disease?*
- *Who is most at risk of poor health outcomes due to the social determinants of health? (Highlight the inequity)*
- *What proportion of the population are at risk?*

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**Political and Community Context**

**Political context (legislation, political/government context - local, provincial and federal, with a focus on local)**

- *What are the government priorities related to this topic, if any?*
- *Have there been any changes to the public health mandate, protocols, etc.?*
- *What other political factors are influencing this topic (e.g. have there been any changes or new legislation on this topic, new government elected platform, etc.)?*
- *Support or opposition for this topic? What are some political/community context facilitators and challenges related to this topic?*

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**Organizational priority (standard level priority, strategic plan priority, EC priority, etc.)**

*Please describe how this relates to organization priorities?*

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**New evidence (new guidelines, literature, research, WHO, etc.)**

*Is there new and/or emerging evidence that has identified a need?*

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**Community context**

- *Community beliefs, attitudes, behaviours, practices, knowledge, and social and physical environments related to the topic*
- *From general public, key stakeholders, community partners, staff input*

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**Existing programs and services/Community assets (resources, capacity, partnership)**

- *To what degree are services already provided and meeting the needs of communities?*
- *To what degree does the community have the necessary assets to support this topic?*
- *What are the gaps? Duplications? Limitations to other services?*

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Evidence Quality and Gaps	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do we have good valid and reliable information? How sure are we of all of this?</li> <li>What are the gaps in information or evidence when it comes to identifying need for this topic?</li> </ul>	
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Community Needs and Priorities (TO POPULATE ASP)	
<p>Please provide a short summary of the following:</p> <p>a) The key data and information which demonstrates your communities' needs for public health interventions.</p> <p>b) Determination of the local priorities for programs of public health interventions. (i.e. What are the key needs that require interventions and that will be addressed)?</p>	
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**Manager Approval** (must be signed by most responsible manager and consulting managers)

Name	Check when approved
Most Responsible Manager	
Consulting Manager	
Consulting Manager	
Consulting Manager	

Phase 2: Program of Public Health Interventions for Standard: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic	Activities	Intervention*	Assessment*				Recommended Decision**	
			Need	Impact	Capacity	Partnership	Activity Status	Rationale/Evidence
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	2.							
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<i>What are the priority gaps in evidence when it comes to identifying activities that meet the needs identified for this topic?</i>								

\*Definitions below

\*\*[Refer to this decision-making tool.](#)

## References

### Full list of references

*As per APA format*

<sup>1</sup>Priority populations are those that are experiencing and/or at increased risk of poor health outcomes due to the burden of disease and/or factors for disease; the determinants of health including the social determinants of health; and/or the intersection between them. They are identified using local, provincial and/or federal data sources; emerging trends and local context; community assessments; surveillance; and epidemiological and other research studies. In Northern Ontario, greater health inequities are experienced by several populations, included by not limited to Indigenous Peoples, Francophone populations, people living in low income, LGBT2SQ+ populations, racialized populations, newcomers, those living with disabilities and those who experience poor mental health and addictions. (Northern Ontario Health Equity Strategy, 2018)

<sup>2</sup>**Need:** Assess the magnitude of the problem that the intervention will address (from population health and community and political evidence).

**Impact:** Assess the effectiveness of the interventions, and so the likelihood to change the health status of the identified population with the intervention (from research, monitoring, and evaluation evidence).

**Capacity:** Assess the financial, human, and material resources available for this intervention and required to meet the needs of the identified population.

**Partnership:** Assess external opportunities (e.g. existing partnerships/engagement, existing programs and services,) for this intervention.

