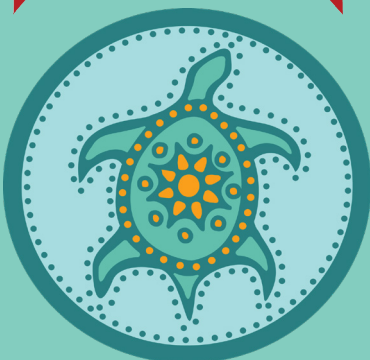




# INDIGENOUS AIDS AWARENESS WEEK

CAAN - COMMUNITIES, ALLIANCES & NETWORKS

## INDIGENOUS RESPONSES TO INTERSECTING PANDEMICS



DECEMBER  
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2021

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### DECEMBER 1

## INDIGENOUS AIDS AWARENESS DAY WORLD AIDS DAY

CAAN will be opening Indigenous AIDS Awareness Week in Ottawa with a sunrise pipe ceremony led by Elder Dr. Albert McLeod. We have partnered with the AIDS Committee of Ottawa, the Canadian AIDS Society, and the Ontario Aboriginal HIV and AIDS Strategy to attend the flag-raising ceremony on Parliament Hill and the AIDS Quilt Unfolding Ceremony. CAAN is hosting an event in Vancouver that honours Indigenous women, and will be broadcast for people to attend virtually. There will be in-person events held in Vancouver, BC led by CAAN'S Voices of Women.

### Sunrise Pipe Ceremony

Ottawa  
7:23AM [EST], led by Elder Dr. Albert McLeod

### Red Ribbon Flag Raising Ceremony

Parliament Hill Centennial Flame, Ottawa  
10AM [EST], hosted by the AIDS Committee of Ottawa

### AIDS Quilt Ceremony and Reception

National Arts Centre, Ottawa  
12 - 3PM [EST], hosted by the AIDS Committee of Ottawa

### Standing Strong with the Voices of Women

Vancouver

### DECEMBER 2

## We Want You to Want Us! (Indigenous Research on HIV/AIDS)

Virtual Event Zoom (Pre-recorded release)  
10AM-12PM [PST] | 11AM-1PM [MST] | 12-2PM [CST]  
1-3PM [EST] | 2-4PM [AST] | 2:30-4:30PM [NST]

HIV Elders will be sharing knowledge and reflections from the past year and will share some of the lessons learned throughout the Weaving our Wisdoms project. CAAN will release the Journal of Indigenous HIV Research (JIHR) vol 12.

### DECEMBER 3

## A Place at the Home Fire (Traditional Roles, and 9 Genders Research)

Virtual Event via Zoom  
10AM-12PM [PST] | 11AM-1PM [MST] | 12-2PM [CST]  
1-3PM [EST] | 2-4PM [AST] | 2:30-4:30PM [NST]

Everyone has a role and place around our home fires. CAAN hosts a round table discussion with knowledge keepers to discuss the traditional roles men and women carry and touches on CAAN's upcoming 9 Genders research project.

### DECEMBER 4

## Indigiqueer Gathering

Virtual Event via Zoom  
10AM-12PM [PST] | 11AM-1PM [MST] | 12-2PM [CST]  
1-3PM [EST] | 2-4PM [AST] | 2:30-4:30PM [NST]

CAAN collaborates with CBRC & 2 Spirits in Motion to discuss Two Spirit/Indigiqueer prospections on STBBIs, Harm Reduction, and the Importance of creating space for 2SLGBTQ+ folks within our communities.

### DECEMBER 5

## Indigenous Ways of Knowing and Doing is Harm Reduction

Virtual Event via Zoom  
10AM-12PM [PST] | 11AM-1PM [MST] | 12-2PM [CST]  
1-3PM [EST] | 2-4PM [AST] | 2:30-4:30PM [NST]

CAAN collaborates with Dr. Peter Centre to discuss Harm Reduction through an Indigenous perspective with speakers; Harlan Pruden and Clint Barton. Highlighting how service providers and services users navigate through intersecting pandemics.

### DECEMBER 6

## Think Global – Act Local: Indigenous Response to Intersecting Pandemics

Virtual Event via Zoom  
10AM-12:30PM [PST] | 11AM-1:30PM [MST] | 12-2:30PM [CST]  
1-3:30PM [EST] | 2-4:30PM [AST] | 2:30-5PM [NST]

CAAN collaborates with; OAHAS, IIWGHA, 2-Spirited People of 1st Nations for a night of cultural sharing, interactive dialogue, and personal testimony.

### DECEMBER 7

## Communities, Alliances & Networks

Virtual Event via Zoom  
10AM-12PM [PST] | 11AM-1PM [MST] | 12-2PM [CST]  
1-3PM [EST] | 2-4PM [AST] | 2:30-4:30PM [NST]

In the spirit of CAAN's vision of putting an emphasis on the teaching of Kinship, CAAN - Communities, Alliances & Networks will wrap up Indigenous AIDS Awareness Week with words from our fellow Indigenous service providers across Turtle Island.

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