

Keeping Our Fires

Circles of Practice

Learned Lessons

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Opening In Ceremony

On June 22, National Indigenous Day, the project team attended a Sunrise Ceremony in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan with Elder Betty McKenna. CAAN’s Promising Practices Coordinator put in an offering on behalf of our team, participating organizations, project, and the communities we swerve.

Igniting The New Fiscal Year With New Partners

We are excited to announce CAAN’s Keeping Our Fires Project is igniting the new fiscal year with new participating organizations and their Indigenous team members, Indigenous committee members, community members, and allied team members.

This expansion marks a significant step forward in our mission to enhance the capacity to provide stigma-free and culturally safe care for sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections (STBBIs) across the land. We are thrilled to co-create new resources related to their priorities around STBBIs and best practices to facilitate access to prevention, testing, treatment, care and support.

We kicked off this year on August 24-25 by hosting a capacity-building training session with Elder James Quatell. This training equipped our participants with the tools and knowledge to utilize the Community Readiness Model (CRM) to perform comprehensive environmental scans in collaboration with their community members. The data from these scans will ensure that our strategy implementation and resources are tailored to the unique needs and readiness level of each community.

Our participants were eager to begin and are dedicated to gathering and listening to feedback from their communities. Stay tuned for more updates on our journey, highlights, discussions, and accomplishments through the Circles of Practice Newsletter.

New Evidence-Based Knowledge Bundles Now Available!

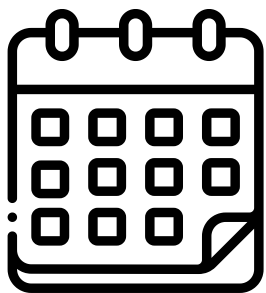
Are you looking for evidence-based resources around STBBIs?

The knowledge bundles co-created with our partnered organizations last fiscal year are now available!

These bundles were carried and crafted by our partners with their unique priorities, insights, knowledge of best practices, and stories. These resources range from a pull-up banner, community asset map, sexual wellness guide, and a project summary.

The physical copies of our co-created knowledge bundles have been distributed to Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; Montreal, Quebec; Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador; and eight Manitoba Interlake communities. The bundles are available to view, download, and print on CAAN Communities, Alliances and Network's website, visit www.caan.ca.

Upcoming Events:



- Circles of Practice Gathering - October 29, 2024
- Circles of Practice Gathering - January 29, 2025
- December 2024 - Accepting new project participants for 2025-2026