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Evaluation of Nova Scotia's Mainline Needle Exchange Program

AIRN has been working with a steering group of stakeholders to conduct an evaluation of Mainline Needle Exchange. Mainline commissioned the evaluation in order to document program operations and impacts, as well as current and emerging needs. The evaluation was informed by three key sources, including a review of key documents, an analysis of the program's database, and key informant interviews with staff, clients and partners. While the results have not yet been released, some of the context and preliminary findings can be shared.

PAN Launches New HIV & The Law Online Toolkit

This online toolkit contains resources for people living with HIV to inform them of their rights and responsibilities as well as support them with disclosure in a variety of situations. You will also find resources tailored to service providers, lawyers, and policy makers that range from scientific briefs, to position pieces, to info sheets. Resources come from a variety of sources including community, legal, and scientific organizations as well as variety of national and international groups interested in HIV and human rights. We have also included a section highlighting some of the most relevant Canadian research on this topic.

The Trans Priorities Project

The Trans Priorities Project seeks to bring together trans women to identify our priorities for research and action around HIV. This is the first step in developing a national Trans Research Program as part of a collaboration with REACH 2.0. The Cross Country Trans Women and HIV Research Project team is made up entirely of trans people who are researchers and community leaders with experience in the field of HIV. In the coming months, we will be holding focus groups and interviews in five cities (Vancouver, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto and Montreal), bringing together local trans women most affected by HIV to discuss their experiences and research priorities. In preparation, we are reaching out to local organizations and individuals to inform you about the project, and to request your potential support.

Lancement de l'étude

VIH en santé

VIH en santé/LHIVe Healthy est un projet de recherche pancanadien entièrement mené sur le Web. Il vise à évaluer si des **interventions** personnalisées sur le

Web peuvent être efficaces pour aider les personnes vivant avec le VIH à faire des choix santé comme arrêter de fumer, faire plus d'activité physique et mieux s'alimenter. Faire de tels choix contribue à diminuer le risque de développer d'autres maladies et améliore la qualité de vie et la santé.

Moving Mountains with HIV-Related CBR in Northern Canada

The Pacific AIDS Network and researchers from the University of Northern BC collaborated with a community advisory committee to organize the Moving Mountains HIV/AIDS Community Based Research Conference in Prince George, BC, the traditional territory of the Lheidli Tenneh First Nation.

This conference was born out of a desire to bring a diverse group of stakeholders from the North together to review research underway and to build the capacity to participate in CBR – all with the goal of strengthening the local response to HIV/AIDS.

Flipped Conference

The Flipped Conference understands that some of the more meaningful conversations occur outside the plenary sessions. This competitive, team-based, problemsolving workshop aims to help build relationships and gain a better understanding of CBR and Program Science in HIV. Find out more here!

Program Science 101 Module

REACH 2.0 and UWW E-Learning have created a new interactive Program Science 101 Module! This introductory module teaches users about the guiding principles of Program Science and the strengths of this methodology in the HIV/AIDS research field by navigating them through a choose your own

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REACH 2.0 Welcomes New CBR Manager

We are pleased to welcome
Caroline Ploem, the new
AIRN/REACH Atlantic CBR Research
Manager based at Dalhousie
University in Halifax.

Reach Directory

The REACH 2.0 Directory is now online! This self-populated directory will serve as a centralized hub for people learn more about REACH members, their areas of research and expertise and most importantly how to get in touch.

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