



Template for Subgroup/Unit/Centre reports

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Subgroup description: The Group for Research with Aboriginal Populations on Health (GRAPH) is a research group in the University of Calgary's Institute for Public Health (IPH), whose mission is to "catalyze excellence in population health and health services research, to the benefit of local, national, and global communities" (<http://www.iph.ucalgary.ca/about>). The group brings together scholars and stakeholders from the university and beyond, and welcomes members from diverse disciplines, professions, and institutions.

GRAPH's mandate is to encourage research that aids Aboriginal communities in achieving well-being. GRAPH embraces research in any of the four pillars (biomedical, clinical, health systems and services, and population health). Interdisciplinary research done in collaboration with Aboriginal communities, respecting cultural safety and resulting in advocacy for health equity, are promoted.

The IPH-GRAPH approach is holistic, informed by the determinants of population health and the best evidence on the roles of such determinants among Aboriginal populations. IPH-GRAPH seeks to develop working relationships with local, regional, national, and international organizations to facilitate research networks and knowledge translation to policy and programming. GRAPH also hosts the Community Advisory Council, with community member representatives who serve as liaisons to the broader community and who can advise on research processes including the handling of principles of ethical research (OCAP™ – Ownership, Control, Access, and Possession).

A) People

- 1. Current number of members:** approx. 130 listserv subscribers
- 2. Thought leaders of your subgroup:** Drs. Henderson, Barnabe, Crowshoe; community members Louise Crane, Karen Radke, Sharon Goulet, David Turner
- 3. Member 'phenotypes' and approximate numbers (eg., trainees, community partners, affiliations):**
Trainees: 10
Community Partners: 30-40
Affiliations: University of Calgary, University of Alberta, Alberta Health Services, community organizations/agencies
- 4. How new members find your subgroup (eg. website, active recruitment, events, word-of-mouth):**
Mainly via listserv email circulations and annual research forum.
- 5. Gaps in membership that subgroup wants to fill:**
Need to regain momentum around listserv circulation, some loss of momentum in recent months due to change in leadership and shift in executive team membership.

B) Activities

6. Events/activities of your subgroup:

- a. Previous: Spring research forum in May 2018.
- b. Planned: Upcoming research forum anticipated for May 2019.

7. Method and frequency of subgroup communications

Weekly listerv email newsletter (has been on pause, will return in coming weeks).

Brochure

8. Academic outputs and societal impacts leveraged by subgroup (general description/estimated numbers sufficient):

Upcoming report on Interrupting Toxic Stress in Indigenous contexts, related academic publications.

C) Operations

9. Administrative human resources for your subgroup:

None for current year.

10. O'Brien human resources upon which your subgroup relies:

Occasional event planning or hosting resources for annual forum. 2018 HR support for coordination.

11. Entities other than O'Brien Institute supporting subgroup, and type of support (eg. financial, HR, etc):

Department of Family Medicine Indigenous health hub, SPACE Office Indigenous pillar.

12. Approximate yearly expenditures of subgroup:

Under review.

D) Other feedback (strategic questions, advice)

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