Social Determinants of Health Working Group

Canada Health Infoway

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Acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge that the land on which we are hosting this meeting – the land that sustains us – includes the ancestral territories of many First Peoples. Canada Health Infoway recognizes the colonial injustices, many of which continue today and continue to affect the health and well-being of Indigenous people. With the working group dedicated to addressing the social determinants of health it brings to light the importance of engaging in anti-colonial actions to address the historical and ongoing inequities experienced by Indigenous communities.We invite all attendees to reflect on the privilege they have of living, working and playing in the territory from which you are joining this call, and to come with an open heart and an open mind in forging culturally safe spaces and relationships.

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Agenda

1. Land acknowledgment and introduction
2. Review of SDOH domains
3. Select a possible SDOH domain to focus on for the upcoming year
4. Guiding principles for SDOH domain

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Purpose of Infoway SDOH Group

SDOH Working Group meeting every first Wednesday of the month.

Explore how to incorporate social determinants of health (SDOH) concepts into digital health systems. In this working group we will apply a strengths-based approach:

- Identifying the ways to collect and use SDOH data;
- Matching actions to target inequities and measuring the impact of these actions; and
- Ensuring appropriate and safe collection, storage and use of SDOH data.

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GROUND RULES FOR DIALOGUE

THE CHANGE FOUNDATION

- Express disagreement with ideas not personalities
- Share airtime
- Stay on topic–connect to what others have said
- Understand & learn from each other
- We are all equal. Leave rank at the door
- Listen respectfully especially when you disagree. Acknowledge you have heard the others
- Look for common ground
- Identify & test assumptions

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Please mute your microphone, use chat to raise ideas.

Area 1: Selecting domain of focus

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Environmental Scan

1: IOM Report (2014); 2: PRAPARE (2016); 5:Gravity Project (2021)
3: Canada - Pinto et al. (2020); 4: CIHI (2018)

Demographic

Language [1,3]

Age[4]

Education level[1,2, 3, 5;] Parents' education level[1]

Employment[1,2, 4, 5;] Precarious employment [3]

Status: Veteran [2, 5;] Immigration[1;] Migration [1,2] ; Born in Canada [3;] Refugee Status[2]

Physical, mental or emotional condition [3]

Racial and ethnic identity[1,2, 3, 4]

Indigenous identity [4]

Sex assigned at birth[3, 4]

Gender [3,4]

Sexual orientation [1,3]

Material Circumstances

Food Insecurity[5]

Income[2;] Family Income[4;] Financial resource strain[1], Financial insecurity; Difficulties making ends meet[3;] Material security[2], Material Hardship[5;] Missed payment on electric, gas utilities [3 ;] Missed prescription due to cost [3]

Transportation[2;] Transportation cost missed appointment [3]

Housing Status[2, 3;] House (In)Stability[2, 5;] Homelessness[5;] Inadequate Housing[5]

Neighbourhood compositional characteristics[1;] Address/ neighborhood[2;] Geographic location[4]

Psychosocial

Social isolation / connection[1,5;] Social integration and support[2;] Friends and family can open up to [3;] Friends and family for help [3]

Stress[2, 5]

Safety [2;] Exposure to violence[1;] Domestic Violence[2] , Intimate partner violence [5;] Elder Abuse [5]

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Environmental Scan

Demographic

Language

Age

Education

Employment

Status: Veteran/ Immigration/ Refugee/ Disability

Racial and ethnic identity; Indigenous identity

Gender, sex and sexual orientation

Material Circumstances

Food Insecurity

Income / Finacial Insecurity / Material Hardship

Transportation (access and cost)

Housing and Homelessness

Neighbourhood Compositional Characteristics / Geographic Location

Psychosocial

Social Isolation / Connection

Stress

Safety / Violence / Abuse

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Determining the focus of the group for the next year

- Three discussion groups (2 breakout rooms, 1 main room)
  - Google docs to record notes
- Join back in 12 minutes to discuss in large group
  - Zoom recordings
- Posting summary notes and not the recordings

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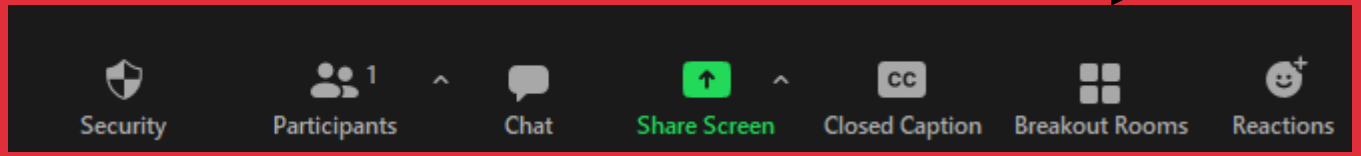
Breakout Room #1: Picking a Domain

1. What domain(s) are of focus for your organization?

2. What three domain(s) are of greatest priority for the working group?



Discussion

One key takeaway?

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Thank you!
Please join us for our next meeting on October 6, 2021.

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