



Canada Health Infoway

Sex and Gender Working Group

Monthly (4th Tuesday) Zoom Meeting
February 22, 2022 at 9am PT / 12pm ET

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement
2. Purpose of Infoway Sex and Gender Working Group
3. Dr. William Clifford – BC Ministry of Health – *Building an Implementable Content Standard for GSSO in BC*
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Welcome and 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 experienced by Indigenous Peoples, many of which continue today and continue to affect their health and well-being. I 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 invite you to commit yourself with me to having an open heart and an open mind; to forging culturally safe spaces for and relationships with Indigenous People including Two-Spirit people in Canadian health care; and in making a meaningful contribution to reconciliation through our shared work.

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Purpose

The Sex and Gender Working Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9am PT/12pm ET. Our next meeting is March 22, 2022.

Bring your knowledge and experience to this working group to develop an implementation strategy to modernize sex and gender information practices in EHR systems in Canada. In this WG we will:

- Examine expanded definition, collection, use and sharing of sex-gender info in EHRs
- Discuss current research, practices, gaps and challenges
- Work to operationalize the Action Plan

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GSSO Terminology Workstream

- Purpose: to modernize gender, sex and sexual orientation concepts in health terminology standards.
 - Nova Scotia Health and BC Providing resources to complete work via a weekly meeting.
 - Belgium, international and national SMEs, and HIS/terminology specialists.
 - Modernization work is ongoing and cyclical.
- Infoway as convener / collaborator / facilitator.
- Have prioritized requirements (i.e. Gender Identity concepts) common to Canadian context and Gender Harmony Model.
- Meeting held once per month on third Wednesday.
- Work is carried out by Kelly + PT resources in weekly meetings.
- Feedback and progress reporting to SGWG, GSSO TWS, GHP and HTC as appropriate.

Objectives

This group was established in October of 2021 with the following primary objectives:

1. Support inclusive health care through the definition, specification and authoring of artefacts (i.e. concepts, subsets) as actions related to the realization the Action Plan.
2. Facilitate local, national, international and domain-specific reviews by governing bodies to socialize artefacts as pan-Canadian or international standards (i.e. governance).
3. Provide a forum for transdisciplinary and multisectoral collaboration on GSSO related standards that can be implemented nationally and internationally.
4. Advocate for structural and terminological changes that support equity for sex and gender minorities through inclusive primary (bedside care) and secondary (analytics and research) information practices.

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Session	Infoway SGWG Meetings - 4 th Tuesday Each Month
Jan 25	<i>Kelly Davison</i> – Co-chair, Sex-Gender Working Group
Feb 22	<i>Dr. William Clifford, BC Ministry of Health</i> – BC Ministry of Health
Mar 22	<i>Beverly Knight and Kelly Abrams</i> – International Standards Organization
Apr 26	<i>Professor Blas Radi</i> – Universidad de Buenos Aires with a special introduction by <i>Aaron Devor, PhD</i>
May 24	<i>France-Pascale Ménard and Elena Prokopenko</i> – Statistics Canada
Jun 28	<i>TBD</i>
Jul 26	<i>TBD</i>
Aug 23	<i>TBD</i>
Sep 27	<i>TBD</i>
Oct 25	<i>TBD</i>
Nov 22	<i>TBD</i>
Dec 27	<i>No meeting – Holidays</i>

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