Chilliwack Health Services

April 24, 2024

Traditional Territory Acknowledgement:

COMMUNITY-BASED SYSTEM FOR HEALTH

Chilliwack General Hospital

Main Entrance

Emergency Entrance

Response to Key System and Service Challenges

Key challenges:

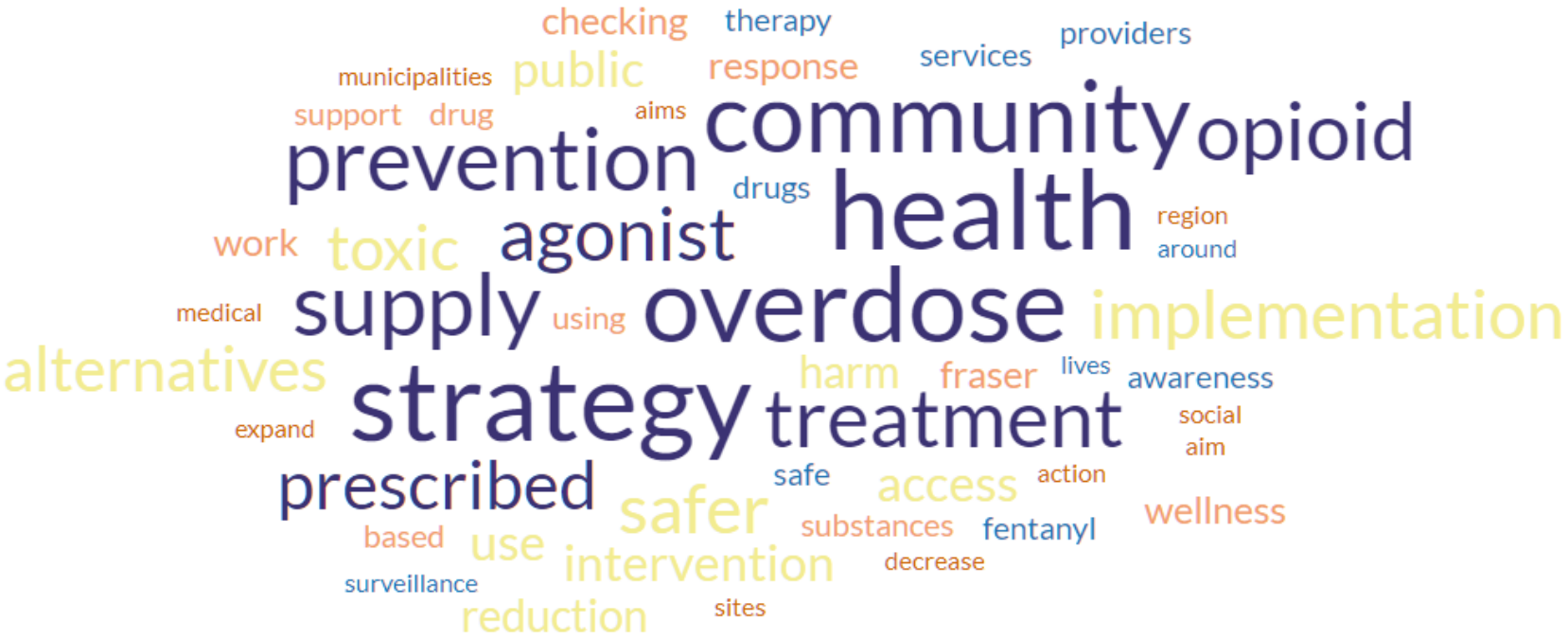
- Increased demand for services
- Increased complexity in client needs
- Timely access to care
- Gaps in the service continuum
- Health and human resource shortage
- Aging and constraint infrastructure
- Increasing homelessness with limited availability of supportive and low barrier housing, and shelter options

Key system objectives in response to these challenges:

- Simplify access
- Increase capacity, responsiveness and integration
- Increase partnerships including First Nations, Métis and Inuit services, organizations and communities
- Strengthen workforce recruitment and retention
- Master Planning

Mental Health & Substance Use Service

Investment	Indigenous Partnership
Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Services Expansion • Foundry • Integrated Child and Youth Teams • Emergency Response Team • Short Term Assessment Response Treatment • Concurrent Disorders Program for Youth	• Foundry has added resources to the community including specific Indigenous support positions • Can travel to Indigenous communities to provide service
Adult and Older Adult Mental Health and Substance Use Services • Mobile Integrated Crisis Response Team • Virtual Psychiatry Unit • Expansion of Psychiatric Liaison Nurse services in the Emergency Department, • Addition of Addiction Assessment Nurses into the Emergency Department • Rapid Access to Addiction Care Clinic(s) including Opioid Agonist Therapy Services • Intensive Case Management, Substance Dependence & Functional Impairment	• Specific Indigenous supports • Indigenous Outreach Team • Indigenous Trauma Counsellor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Community Contracted Services

There are a number of contracted services that we fund, delivered by community partner agencies, including:

Lookout Society - Chilliwack Wellness Centre Overdose Prevention Site

- Indigenous connection points facilitated by lead agency

Lookout Society – Transport Van with IHART

- Can travel to Indigenous communities to provide service

Ruth and Naomi's Mission -Overdose Presentation Site

- Indigenous connection points facilitated by lead agency

Mountainside Harm Reduction Society – Drug Checking Services

Cultural Safety

Fraser Canyon Hospital site director Catherine Wiebe watches as Ida John smudges Chawathil First Nation Chief Rhoda Peters (right) with sage and ground cedar during the official opening of the new Sacred Space at Fraser Canyon Hospital on

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Chilliwack Fraser Cascade Aboriginal Wellness Advisory Committee

Established in 2016

Overarching Goals:

- Foster an increased awareness and knowledge for all healthcare providers about Aboriginal Cultural Safety of FH services within the Chilliwack and Fraser Cascade communities
- Facilitate an improved experience for the Aboriginal community members accessing FH services in the Chilliwack and Fraser Cascade communities
- Advocate for culturally safe workplace for practicing Aboriginal health professionals working in the Chilliwack and Fraser Cascade communities
- Create a safe venue for the Aboriginal community to address concerns and share positive experiences

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Thank You!