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# PLAINS SPEAK on STBBIs, 2019

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An emergent challenge for the Prairies

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## AGENDA

### LOCATION

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Courtyard by Marriott Winnipeg Airport 780 Powerhouse Rd, Winnipeg, MB R3H 1C7

Teleconference access provided.

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### BACKGROUND

Sexually transmitted and blood borne infection (STBBI) rates—including syphilis, gonorrhoea, HBV, HCV, and HIV—are rapidly increasing in the Prairie Provinces. Public health professionals are struggling to set programmatic priorities and identify the best interventions to suit the epidemiological context to decrease the burden of infections. Currently in the Prairies, individuals affected by STBBIs frequently present with co-infections and become re-infected. Infections are increasingly associated with challenging circumstances, including unstable housing and substance use, which contribute to onward transmission and complicate public health management.

**The purpose of this gathering is to provide a platform for knowledge exchange regarding successful programming and interventions for STBBI prevention and response within the Prairie context.**

### OBJECTIVES

- 1) To share knowledge of the current drivers, determinants, and trends of STBBIs in the Prairies.
- 2) To share and explore features of successful STBBI responses.
- 3) To explore interventions to decrease STBBI transmission in people who are disadvantaged by social and structural factors such as addiction and poverty.
- 4) To spark discussions towards essential elements for building sustainable public health infrastructure to prevent and rapidly respond to STBBIs.



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<b>March 14, 2019</b>	<b>DAY 1. The Context of Increased Burden of STBBIs in the Prairies</b>
3:00-4:00 PM	<b>Registration &amp; Refreshments</b>
4:00-4:15 PM	<b>Welcome to the Territory &amp; Opening Remarks</b> Albert McLeod, Margaret Haworth-Brockman, and Jami Neufeld
4:15-6:00 PM	<b>Presentations</b> An overview of the provincial epidemiological contexts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SK: Johnmark Opondo</li> <li>• MB: Souradet Shaw &amp; Carla Loeppky</li> <li>• AB: Jennifer Gratrix</li> </ul> <p><b>Specific objective:</b> To provide an overview of the context of STBBIs in the Prairie Provinces.</p>
6:00-7:00 PM	<b>Stories from the ground</b> Focus on strengths and an overview of the social and structural contexts <p><b>Specific objective:</b> To provide an overview of the social and structural for individuals with increased opportunity for STBBIs in the Prairie Provinces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indigenous community organization: Laverne Gervais, Ka Ni Kanichihk</li> <li>• Experiences in harm reduction work: Tania Wiebe, Nine Circles Community Health Centre</li> <li>• Experiences in outreach: Garret Meyer, AHS STI Outreach</li> </ul>
7:00-8:00 PM	<b>Dinner</b>
<b>March 15, 2019</b>	<b>DAY 2. Strategy and Interventions for Improving STBBI Prevention and Response</b>
7:30-8:00 AM	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:00-8:10 AM	<b>Welcome to the Territory &amp; Highlights from Day 1</b> Albert McLeod, Margaret Haworth-Brockman, and Jami Neufeld
8:10-9:00 AM	<b>Presentation</b> - The structure of STBBI programming and the BC experience Jason Wong, Physician Epidemiologist BCCDC
9:00-10:30 AM	<b>Presentations</b> - Innovative Interventions: Sharing Successes & Failures



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	<p><b>Specific objective:</b> To share successes, failures, and challenges around interventions or approaches in the Prairie Provinces with a focus on evaluation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test One, Test All –SK: Janice Seebach</li> <li>• Assertive Syphilis Testing Strategy - MB: Alicia Lapple</li> <li>• Syphilis Intervention in the North - MB: Tammy Stuart Chester</li> <li>• DBS in Northern SK - NML: John Kim</li> <li>• Incentivized Testing Program - AB: Penny Parker, Garret Meyer</li> <li>• Data to Care Model - SK: Johnmark Opondo</li> </ul>
10:30-10:45 PM	<b>Break</b>
10:45-12:00 PM	<p><b>Group Activity/Think Tank</b></p> <p><b>Specific objective:</b> To encourage contribution from all participants to discuss barriers and challenges, successful existing interventions, and to determine new strategies that can be adapted to their local context.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Supports and partnerships for Indigenous people with increased opportunities for STBBIs</li> <li>2) Supports and partnerships for people struggling with problematic substance use and with increased opportunities for STBBIs</li> </ol>
12:15-1:15 PM	<b>Lunch</b>
1:15-2:30 PM	<p><b>World Café Session</b> - Partner notification: History and moving forward</p> <p><b>Specific objective:</b> The objective of this session is to share and discuss experiences across jurisdictions, best practices, prioritization, evaluation, as well as innovation and evidence regarding PN activities.</p>
2:30-2:45 PM	<b>Break</b>
2:45-3:15 PM	<p><b>Presentation</b> - STI Frameworks: Setting the structures for sustainable STBBI programming AB: Cari Egan</p>
3:15- 3:30 PM	<p><b>Group Wrap-Up Discussion</b> What are the ideas that resonate? Are there next steps?</p>
3:30 PM	<b>Evaluation</b>

