

# Renewal of the National Immunization Strategy

## Summit Day 1

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TO IMPROVE THEIR HEALTH



## **Purpose**

To provide an overview of the National Immunization Strategy (NIS) Renewal process thus far.

## **Presentation Outline**

1. Initial Engagement Methodology
2. Qualitative Analysis of Partner Feedback
3. Revisions to the 2013 NIS Priority Areas

# Initial Engagement Methodology

- **Methods**
  - Partners engaged
  - Consultation tool and survey
- **Qualitative Analysis**
  - Individual partner group analysis
  - Thematic analysis
- **Validation Process**
  - Additional engagement to validate and strengthen proposed revisions
- **Limitation**
  - Need for more time and different approaches to support engagement

# Qualitative Analysis of Partner Feedback

Analysis of initial engagement feedback revealed themes relevant to the 2013 NIS priority areas.

These themes, along with the NIS guiding principles align with the foundational building blocks used in the framing of the 2021 CPHO Report.

Themes	CPHO Report: Building Blocks
<p><b>Overarching themes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equity</li> <li>• Funding</li> <li>• Alignment, coordination, collaboration</li> <li>• Workforce</li> <li>• Life course</li> </ul> <p><b>More Specific Themes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaccine guidance</li> <li>• Research and evaluation</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Registries / coverage / records</li> <li>• Vaccine confidence and access</li> <li>• Provider supports</li> <li>• Future preparedness</li> <li>• Public communication / education</li> <li>• Domestic manufacturing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Foundational</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governance, leadership and engagement</li> <li>• Workforce expertise and human resource capacity</li> <li>• Financing</li> </ul> <p><b>Tools</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy and program interventions</li> <li>• Evidence, knowledge and information</li> <li>• Medical and digital health technology</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NIS Renewal Guiding Principles</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equity</li> <li>• Expanded demographic</li> <li>• Domestic and international coordination</li> </ul>

# Draft Revisions

- Overarching Vision, Foundational Principles and Building Blocks
- Priority Areas (PAs): Revised language and content changes
- Vision Statements Changed to Goals
  - Key attributes included
- Objectives Streamlined: 1-3 per PA

# NIS Renewal: Overarching Vision

## VISION

All people living in Canada are protected against vaccine-preventable diseases through immunization programs and infrastructure that are a vital element of public health.

## Foundational Principles

Public-health driven; Equity-based; Culturally-informed;  
Respectful of Truth and Reconciliation commitments;  
Evidence-informed; Collaboration and coordination;  
Across the lifespan; Preparedness for the future

# Proposed 2025-2030 Priority Areas

1. Governance, Leadership and Engagement on the NIS

2. Vaccine Guidance

3. Coordinated Immunization Schedules and Programs

4. Program Evaluation and Research

5. Registries, Coverage, and Records

6. Vaccine Safety

7. VPD Surveillance

8. Case, Contact, and Outbreak Management of VPDs

9. Vaccine Confidence and Uptake

10. Vaccine Innovation, Research and Development

11. Vaccine Supply

12. No-Fault Vaccine Injury Support

# Thoughts for Breakouts and Next Steps after the Summit

- **Summit Breakouts Sessions**

- Agreement in principle on PAs and objectives

- **After the Summit**

- Drafting of the NIS document
- Validation and approval of 2025-2030 NIS through Public Health Network Council to FPT Ministers of Health
- Publication in Spring 2025
- Winter 2024 – Spring 2026
  - Development of a plan for monitoring and reporting on the 2025-2030 NIS
  - Initiation of lessons learned from the 2025-2030 NIS renewal process
- 2026-2027 start planning for the 2030-2035 NIS renewal process