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Awareness, Prevention, Care & Support



HIV North Society is a not-forprofit AIDS Service Organization which has served the Alberta Peace Region since 1987.

Mission

To lead Alberta's north in understanding HIV through innovation, collaboration, education, support, advocacy, and harm reduction.

Vision

Understanding HIV to ensure a world without AIDS.

Client Support

Person centered support for people living with, or at risk for HIV/HCV/STBBIs

- Safer-sex supplies
- Harm reduction supplies
- •Referrals to community professionals
 - Resource Library
 - Navigation support
 - Support access to care
 - Advocacy

Education

HIV/HCV/STBBI education provided for community groups, schools, agency staff, organizations and businesses. Our presentations focus on HIV/HCV/STBBI, Harm Reduction, Street Drugs and Gender and Sexual Diversity and can be tailored to meet the needs of any group.

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Outreach Services

HIV North's Outreach and Support Services Initiative is a comprehensive and coordinated network of services for the street involved individuals in the Grande Prairie region.

Women's Drop In

Providing supports to women living a high risk lifestyle and/or working in the sex trade industry, the Women's Drop-In program offers a place to rest, have a nutritious meal, and have access to personal care/ hygiene supplies. This program often serves as a first point of access to many community services.

Healthcare Navigation Coordinator

The Healthcare Navigation Coordinator enhances collaboration with other sectors to reduce barriers to prevention, diagnosis, and treatment for STBBIs while addressing the social determinants of health.

Overdose Prevention Program

The Healthcare Navigation Coordinator provides an overdose prevention support through the Take Home Naloxone program.



Harm Reduction

Harm Reduction is a public health philosophy which aims to reduce negative impact of a behavior, either on an individual and/or population basis. It involves an honest, open, non-judgmental approach to social issues while meeting people "where they are at". This is realized through education, intervention and support. Our free needle distribution program operates onsite, through street outreach, and through our community pharmacy partners. Contact the office, or visit our website for updated pharmacy partner information. Safer-sex supplies are available onsite and through street outreach.

LGBTQ Youth Mentor

The Youth Mentor provides confidential supports to LGBTQ youth, young adults, friends and family of the LGBTQ community. HIV North provides a weekly evening drop-in group for LGBTQ youth and a separate dropin program for parents of LGBTQ youth.

Permanent Supportive Housing

HIV North works within a contract to provide permanent supportive housing to people who have been a part of the Housing First program and need longer term support to maintain their housing. Anyone experiencing homelessness who would like support to find and maintain housing can go to the YMCA for an assessment.

