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11th International Meeting on Indigenous Children

Promoting Yukon First Nations Family Well-being through Wellness Fairs

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- We have no financial relationships to disclose



Land Acknowledgement

- We are grateful to be presenting on Treaty 1 Territory and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabeg, Anishinewuk, Dakota Oyate, Denesuline and Nehethowuk Nations



OBJECTIVES

After this session, participants will:

1. Understand the significance of providing access to low-barrier healthcare to promote the well-being of Indigenous families
2. Gain insight into the critical role played by advocacy and support services in navigating complex healthcare systems and safeguarding the integrity of family units.
3. Explore the concept of scalable models for healthcare equity, using the CYFN Wellness Fair initiative as a case study.

Healthcare in the Yukon

- Primary Care clinics
- Walk-in clinics
- Nurse-Practitioner led clinic (new)
- Hospital care
- Nursing stations/Health Centres in the communities
- Specialist clinics – Pediatrics, Psychiatry, Surgery, OB/GYN

Rural Outreach

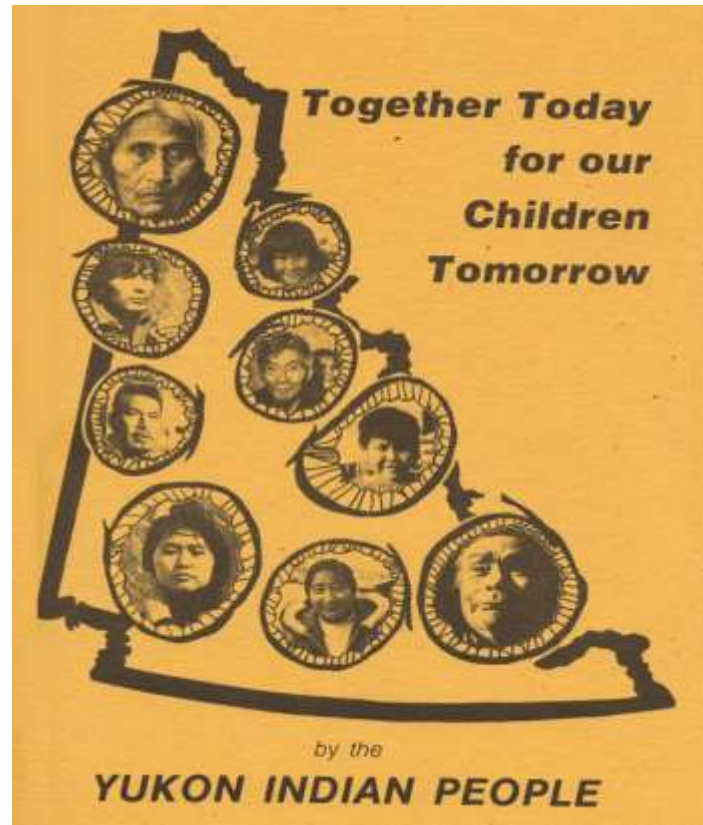
- Carcross
- Haines Junction
- Carmacks
- Dawson
- Old Crow
- Mayo
- Pelly
- Ross River
- Faro
- Watson Lake
- Teslin

Urban Outreach

- Schools
- Child Development Center
- Wellness Fairs
- Kwanlin Dun First Nation Health Center
- Individual Learning Center
- Teen Parent Center

Yukon First Nations Traditional Territories

- 14 Yukon First Nations
- 11 Self Governing First Nations
- 3 Indian Act Bands





Family Preservation Services

Council of Yukon First Nations

Yukon First Nations Family Wellness Fair

Join us for a day of wellness, connection and support!

🕒 February 13, 2025
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

📍 Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre

Stew and bannock!

- Dr. Citron, Pediatrician
- Joy Val, Occupational Therapy
- Autism Yukon
- Boreal Clinic
- KDFN
- YFNED, Early Years

Family Preservation Programs

- Bibia Nātsat Program (Strong Babies)
- Cultural Connections Programming
- Jordan's Principle

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CYFN

Wellness Fairs

Low barrier access to therapeutic services:

- Pediatrics
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Speech/Language Pathologist (SLP)
- Audiology
- Child Development Centre
- Immunizations

CYFN Wellness Fairs

Low barrier access to social supports:

- Jordan's Principle
- Pre & Post Natal Supports
- Advocacy with Family & Children Services (Child Welfare)
- Traditional Food & Door Prizes



YUKON FIRST NATIONS FAMILY WELLNESS FAIR

MONDAY, MARCH 25TH 2024
9AM - 4:30PM

KWANLIN DÜN CULTURAL CENTRE

MEET WITH:

- CYFN's Jordan's Principle & Family Preservation Team
- Healthy Babies, Healthy Generations
- Partners for Children
- Boreal Clinic Allied Health Services
- Yukon Literacy
- OT North
- And More!

Stew and Bannock,
Prizes, and
More!

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First Nations



Easy access, downtown Whitehorse, culturally appropriate, transportation provided



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2024

Family Preservation Services

Community Impact Report

Family Preservation Services (FPS) offers culturally grounded, responsive programs, services and supports to enable Yukon First Nations and Indigenous families to thrive.

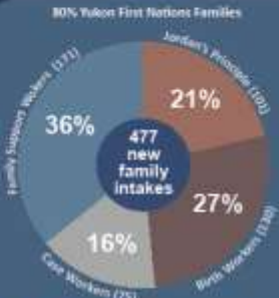
FPS supports families in a person-centred, holistic, accessible, relationship-centred, strength-based and safe way, honouring culture and self-determination and the importance of advocacy.

STAFF

led by
6
Directors with
100%
who are Indigenous

Wrap around supports
and services provided by
43
staff with
91%
who are Indigenous

INTAKE



JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE

320
requests were submitted to
Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)
Necessities Of Life Program
Helps provide the basic needs of children
and to support healthy development.



\$0,307,614 was spent in 2024
from January to December

PROGRAMMING

Cultural Connections delivered 250 workshops

Women	16
Men's group	27
Family events	41
Pre/Post Natal	33
Summer camps	18
Adult/Youth workshops	115

Prevention Workshops

Workshops delivered	29
Client attendance	184

for over 200 Yukon First Nations and
Indigenous children!

BIBIA NĀTSĀT PROGRAM Strong Babies

Currently working with
181
Pre & Post Natal Families
Prenatal: 45
Post Natal: 136

CAPACITY BUILDING Indigenous Human Services Diploma

28
Yukon First Nations and
Indigenous students
enrolled.

COUNSELLING SERVICES

2,300
Hours of one-on-one
counselling with our
9 Indigenous Counsellors,
totaling \$497,000.

HOUSING SUPPORTS

77
Families with over 200 children
were provided housing support.
Council of Yukon First Nations also
administers the Victim Travel Fund,
Reaching Home, and Gender Based
Violence Fund for housing support.

WELLNESS CENTRE Development

15,000
square foot, 32 bed centre.
Grand Opening happening
February 2025!
Wellness Centre Staff Training
25
Indigenous participants in
Wellness Centre training.

Together Today for Our Children Tomorrow

Community Impact Highlights for 2024

- 477 new unique intakes
- Over \$6M in supports provided
- Housed 77 families with over 200 children who would be otherwise unhoused
- Delivered 250 workshops/programs
- Currently supporting 181 pre and post natal families in our Bibia Natsat program

Together Today For Our Children Tomorrow

