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Health and Well-Being Tools

Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use





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Key terms

- **aangajugasuarniq:** Problematic substance use.¹
- **problematic substance use:** Substance use that has mild to severe negative impacts on a person. This type of use involves craving (a “strong need to use the substance”), difficulty controlling use, compulsion (an urge), and consequences (“continuing to use the substance despite negative outcomes”).²
- **Elders:** Important Knowledge Keepers who play essential roles in ensuring cultural continuity. They are respected as leaders, teachers, role models, mentors, and healers.
- **Knowledge Keepers:** Recognized community members with cultural knowledge.
- **piusirsungittuq:** A person who is not acting like themselves.³

1 Laurence J. Kirmayer and others, *Inuit Concepts of Mental Health and Illness: An Ethnographic Study* (Montréal: Jewish General Hospital and McGill University, January 1997), 126, <https://www.mcgill.ca/tcpsych/files/tcpsych/Report4.pdf>.

2 Centre for Innovation in Campus Mental Health, “4. Understanding Substance Use Disorders and Problematic Substance Use,” in *Reducing Cannabis Harms: A Guide for Ontario Campuses* (Toronto: Government of Ontario, 2018), <https://campusmentalhealth.ca/toolkits/cannabis/cannabis-substance-use/understanding-disorders-problematic/>.

3 Laurence J. Kirmayer and others, *Inuit Concepts of Mental Health and Illness: An Ethnographic Study* (Montréal: Jewish General Hospital and McGill University, January 1997), 129, <https://www.mcgill.ca/tcpsych/files/tcpsych/Report4.pdf>.

Use the document to follow, organized by province or territory, as a framework. Keep resources relevant to your organization, delete others, and add your own.

We recognize that this is not an exhaustive list. Your community or region may have resources or supports that would benefit your employees. **For example, you may have Elders or Knowledge Keepers in your organization or surrounding community with expertise in mental well-being that you can add, with their permission.**

Please revisit this resource regularly and update as new resources become available and as the needs of your employees evolve.

Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use in Nunavut

Your organization: _____

Employee and family assistance program

(confidential consultation) Telephone Number: _____

Human resources advisor: _____

Additions/Notes: _____

Your community and region: Nunavut

Emergency services: see <https://www.publiclibraries.nu.ca/en/fire-emergency> for emergency numbers by community.

Kamatsiaqtut Help Line: 1-867-979-3333 (Iqaluit)
or toll-free at 1-800-265-3333 (24 hours)

Ilisaqsivik counselling and training, including an addictions program on the land: 1-867-924-6565, tungasugit@ilisaqsivik.ca

Tunganiq Addiction Project, Baker Lake: 867-793-2739

Aqsaaraq Addictions Project, Rankin Inlet: 867-645-2910

Canadian Mental Health Association: Contact the **Yukon Division** for virtual mindfulness sessions available Canada-wide. Contact the **B.C. Division** for workplace workshops that can be booked virtually Canada-wide.

Additions/Notes: _____

For Indigenous Peoples, Canada-wide

Hope for Wellness Helpline (for all Indigenous Peoples across Canada, with phone and chat counselling in Inuktitut, Cree, and Ojibway): 1-855-242-3310

hopeforwellness.ca

Other, Canada-wide

Additions/Notes: _____



Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use in Quebec

Your organization: _____

Employee and family assistance program

(confidential consultation) Telephone Number: _____

Human resources advisor: _____

Additions/Notes: _____

Your community and region: Quebec

Emergency services: see <https://nrhss.ca/en/contact-us> for emergency numbers by community.

Public distribution of naloxone kits: <https://sante.gouv.qc.ca/en/repertoire-ressources/naloxone/>.

Isuarsivik Regional Recovery Center, Kuujuaq: 819-964-2592

Tunganiq Addiction Project, Baker Lake: 867-793-2739

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Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use in Newfoundland and Labrador

Your organization: _____

Employee and family assistance program

(confidential consultation) Telephone Number: _____

Human resources advisor: _____

Additions/Notes: _____

Your community and region: Newfoundland and Labrador

Emergency services: 9-1-1

Health line: 8-1-1 (staffed by Registered Nurses, available for mental health and addictions support 24/7. If you have problems getting connected with 8-1-1, you can also call 1-888-709-2929.

Public distribution of naloxone kits: <https://sante.gouv.qc.ca/en/repertoire-ressources/naloxone/>.

Labrador Health Centre, Happy Valley-Goose Bay:
709-897-2343

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Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use in the Yukon

Your organization: _____

Employee and family assistance program

(confidential consultation) Telephone Number: _____

Human resources advisor: _____

Additions/Notes: _____

Your community and region: Yukon

Emergency services: 9-1-1

Mental Wellness and Substance Use Services

(8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) Local: 867-456-3838,
Toll-free: 1-866-456-3838

Withdrawal Management (Detox): 867-667-8473

Canadian Mental Health Association, Yukon Division:

[1] Counselling in-person, by telephone (including drop-in), or on Zoom. [2] Bounceback (free but must have primary care provider, guided self-help to manage low mood, mild to moderate depression, anxiety, stress, or worry): call 867-668-6429, email: admin@yukon.cmha.ca, website

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Resources for General Mental Health and Problematic Substance Use in the Northwest Territories

Your organization: _____

Employee and family assistance program

(confidential consultation) Telephone Number: _____

Human resources advisor: _____

Additions/Notes: _____

Your community and region: the Northwest Territories

Emergency services: 9-1-1

Public distribution of naloxone kits: <https://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/sites/hss/files/resources/naloxone-availability.pdf>.

Counselling Program: 867-767-9485: <https://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/sites/hss/files/resources/naloxone-availability.pdf>.

Peer Support for 2SLGBTQIPA+: 867.444.7295
admin@northernmosaic.net to schedule an appointment

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